

MODIS/Aqua Quality Assessment

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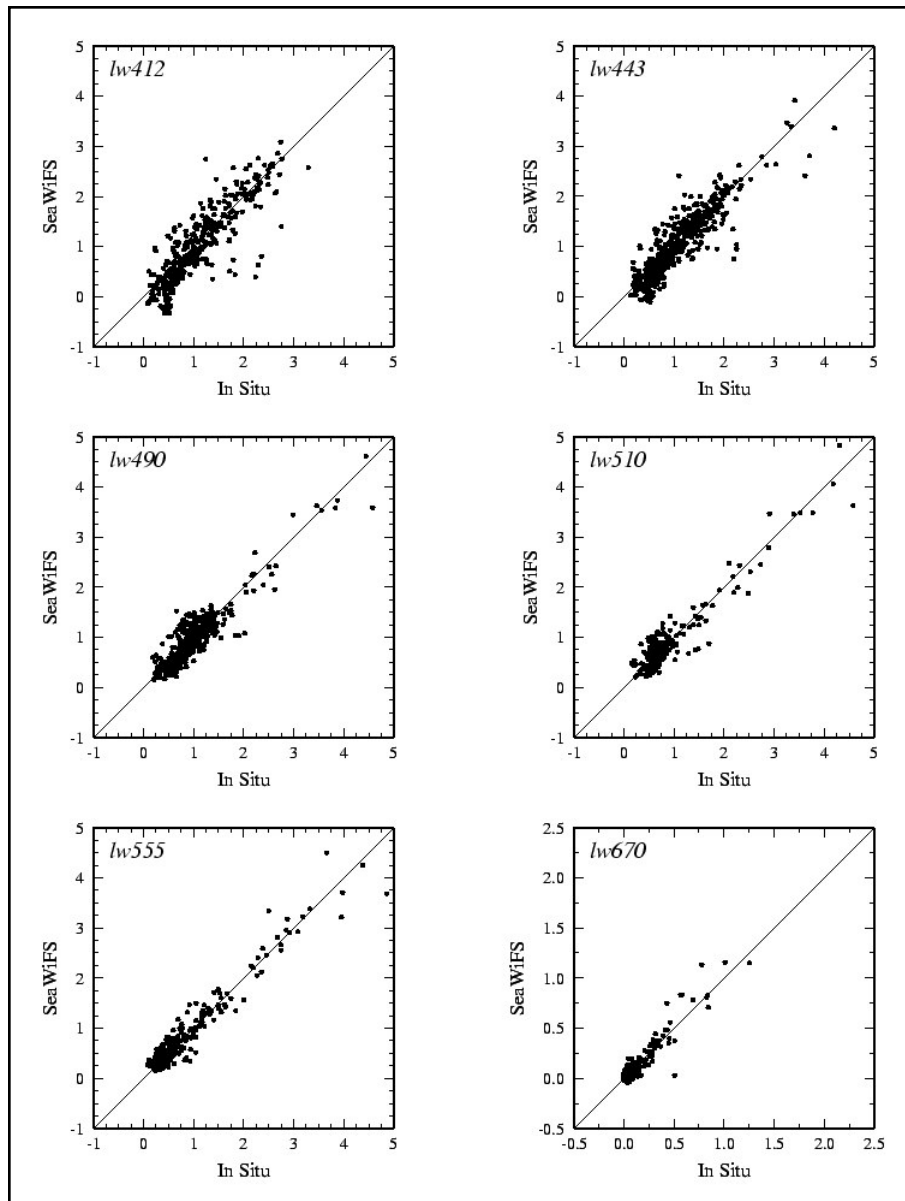
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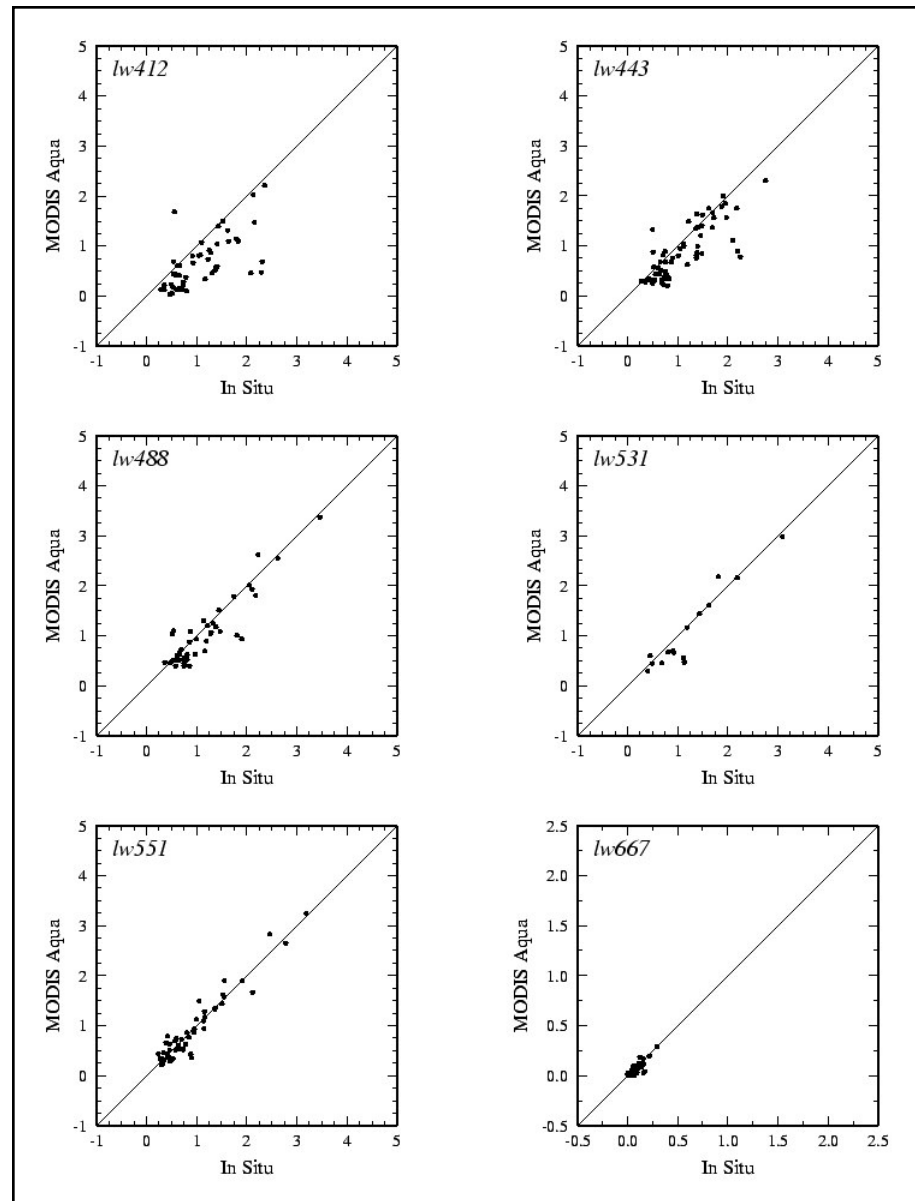
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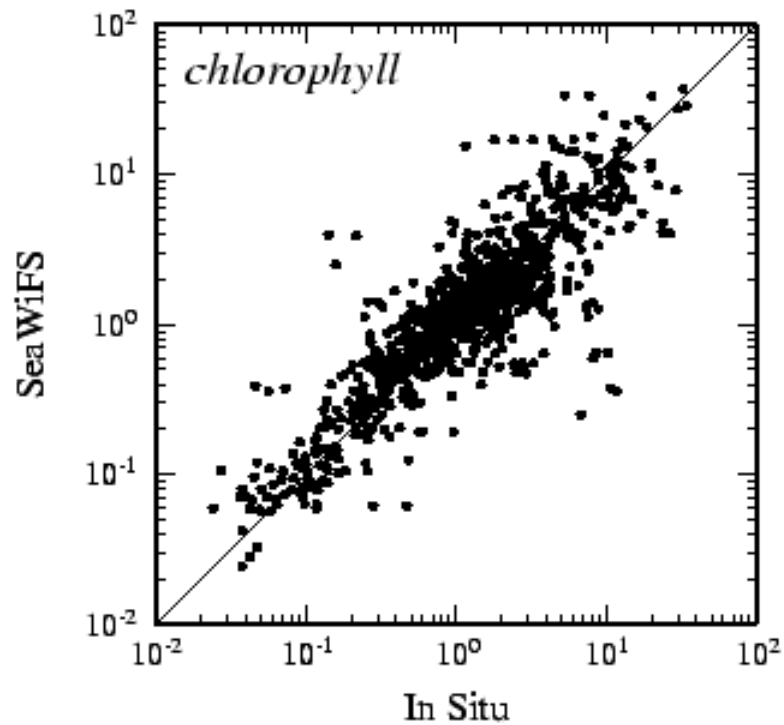
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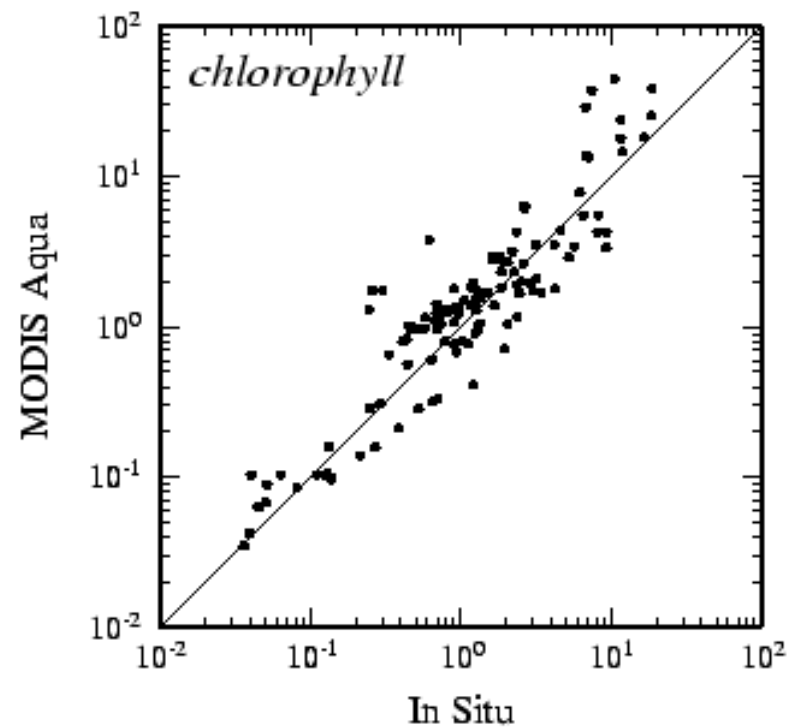
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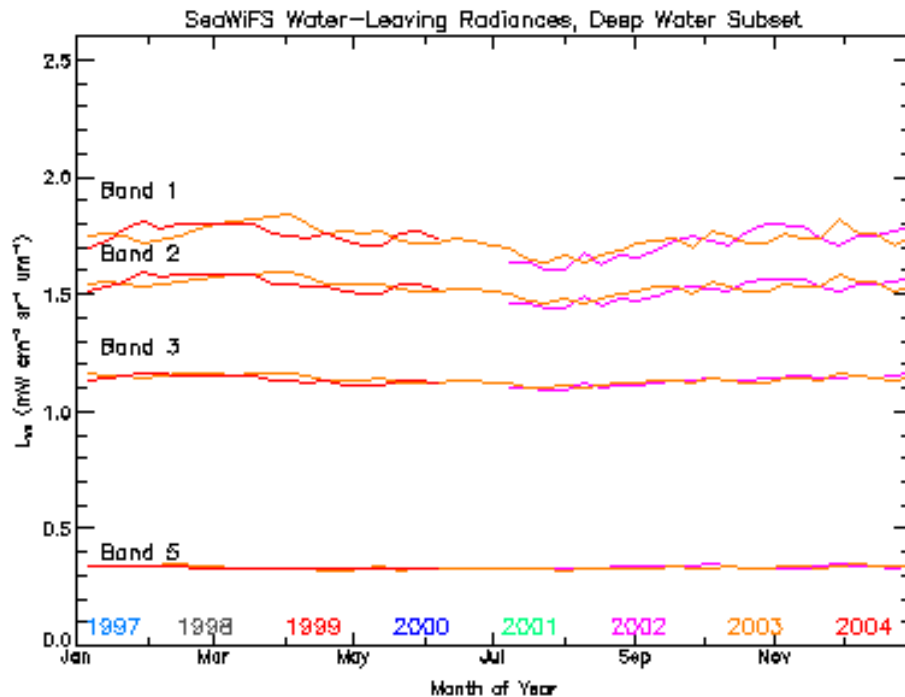
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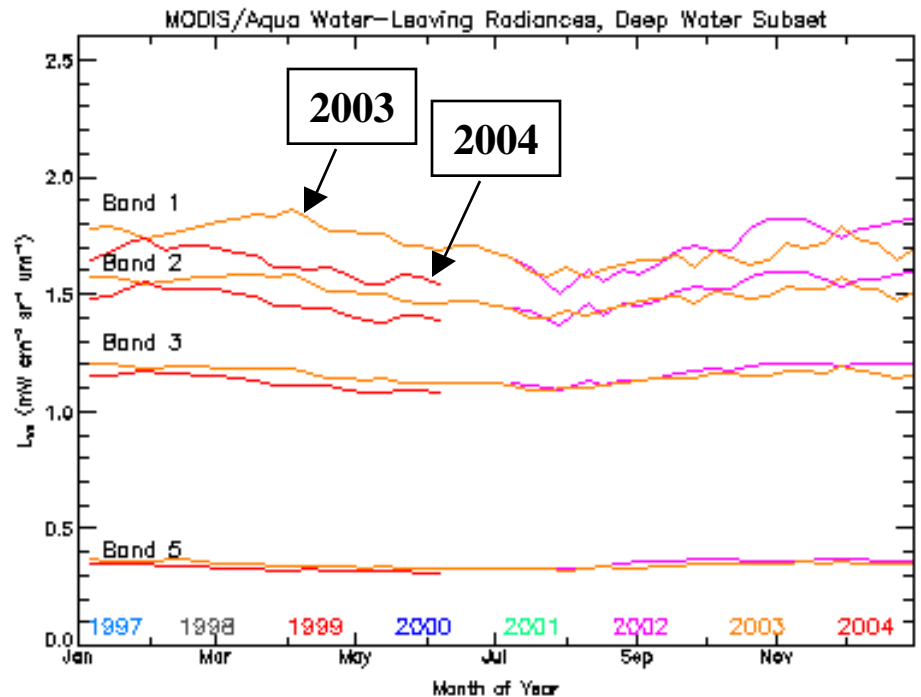
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Deep-Water Subset, 8-Day Bins

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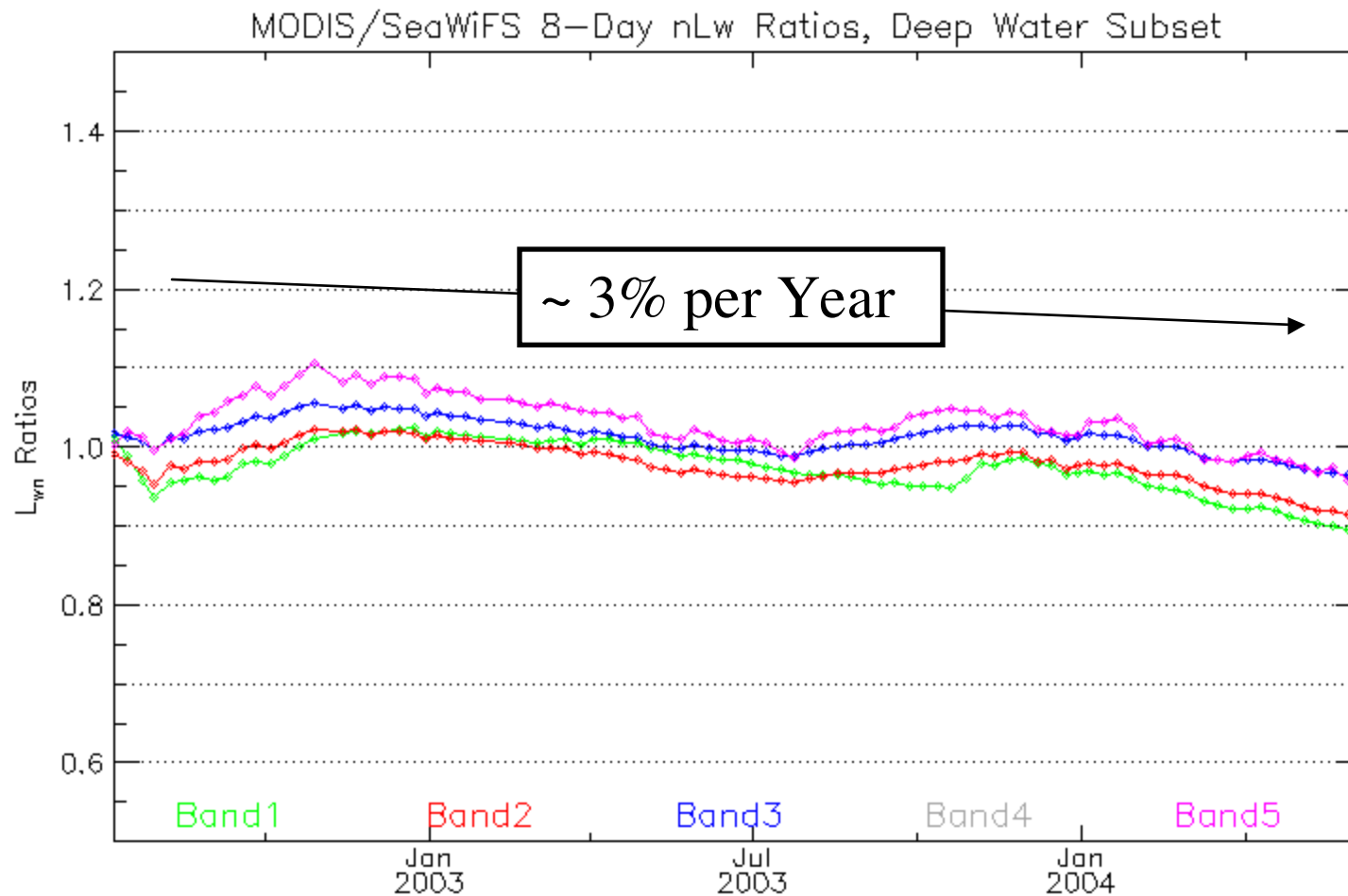
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Temporal stability of MODIS/Aqua still not demonstrated.

nLw: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

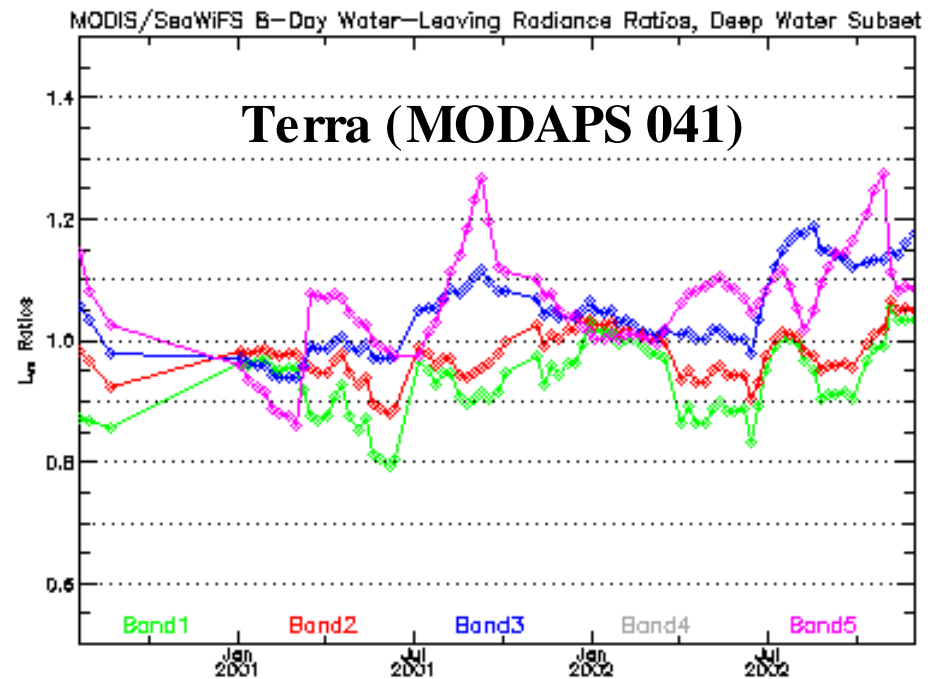
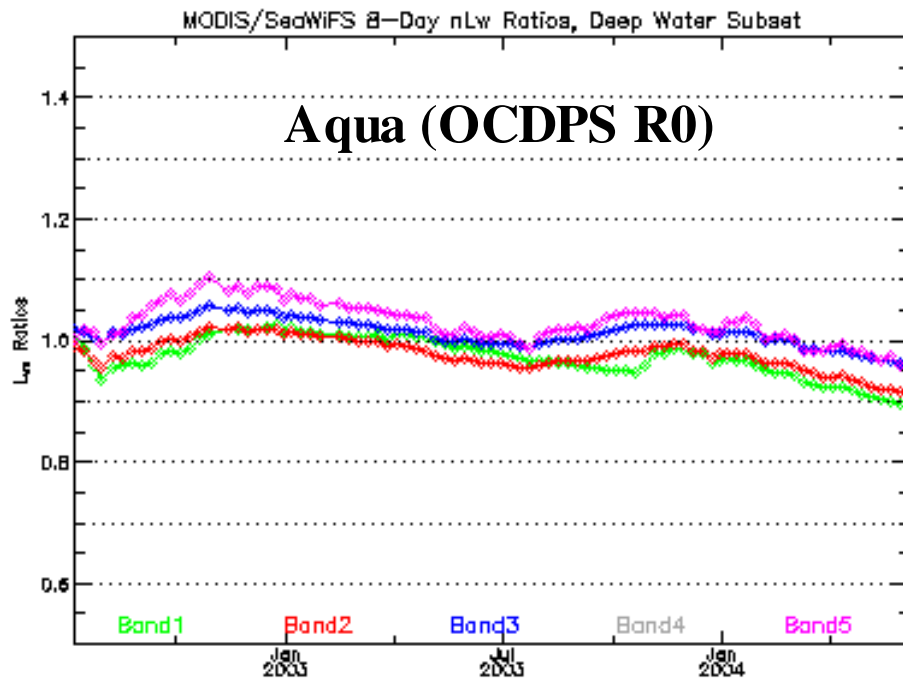
Deep-Water



MODIS/Aqua water-leaving radiances show long-term decay relative to SeaWiFS, in addition to a seasonal cycle.

nLw: MODIS/SeaWiFS Ratio Trends

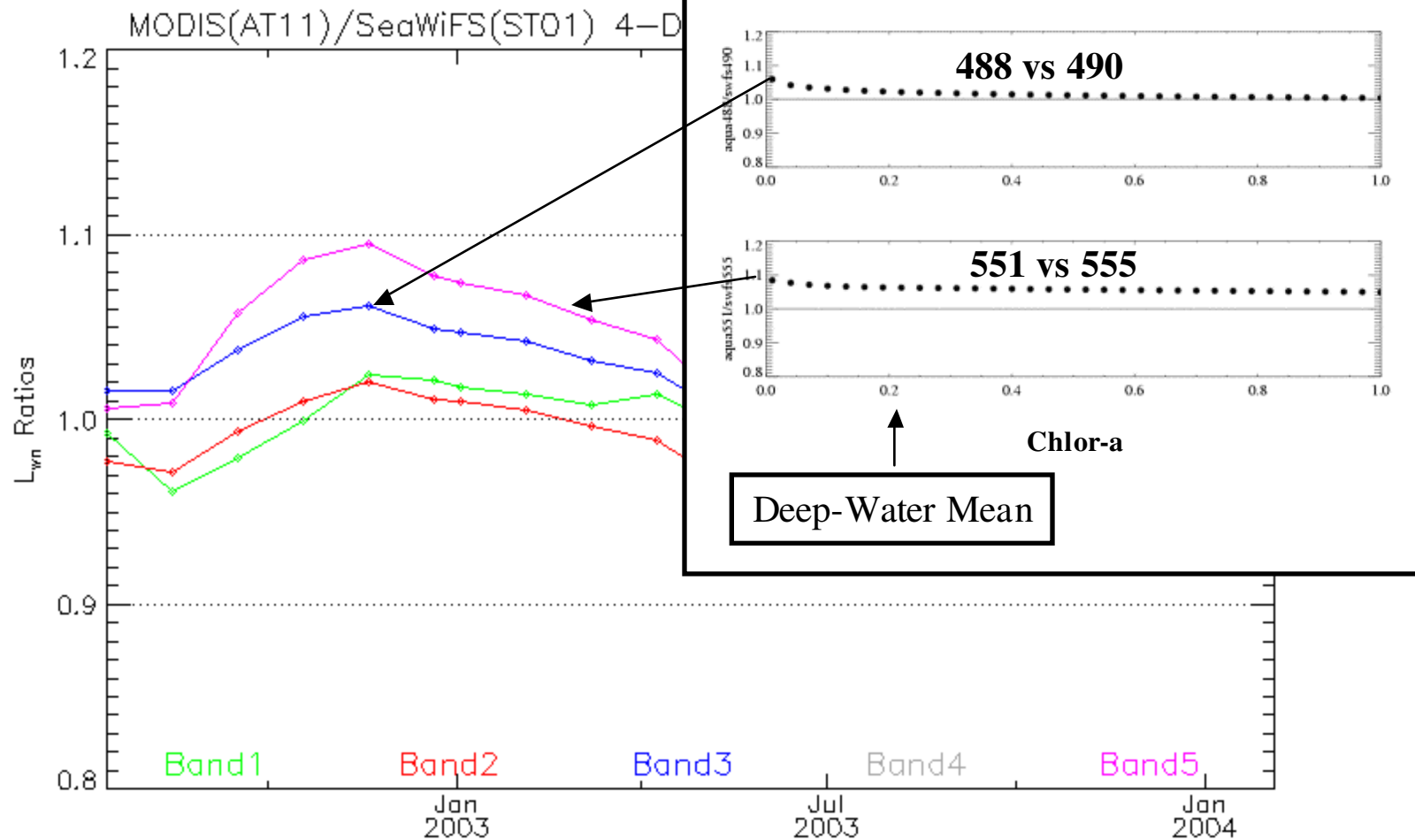
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Aqua shows much better short-term stability than MODIS/Terra.

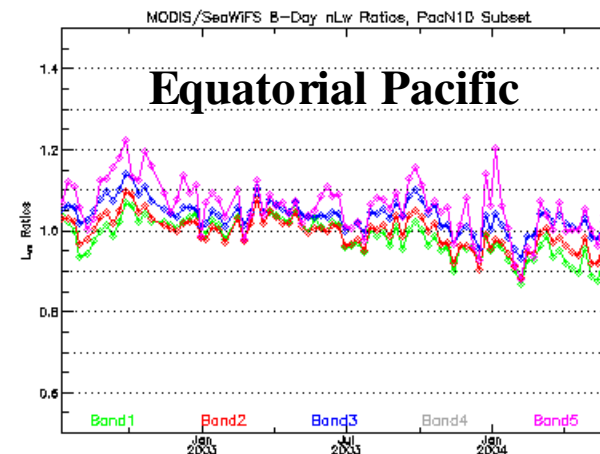
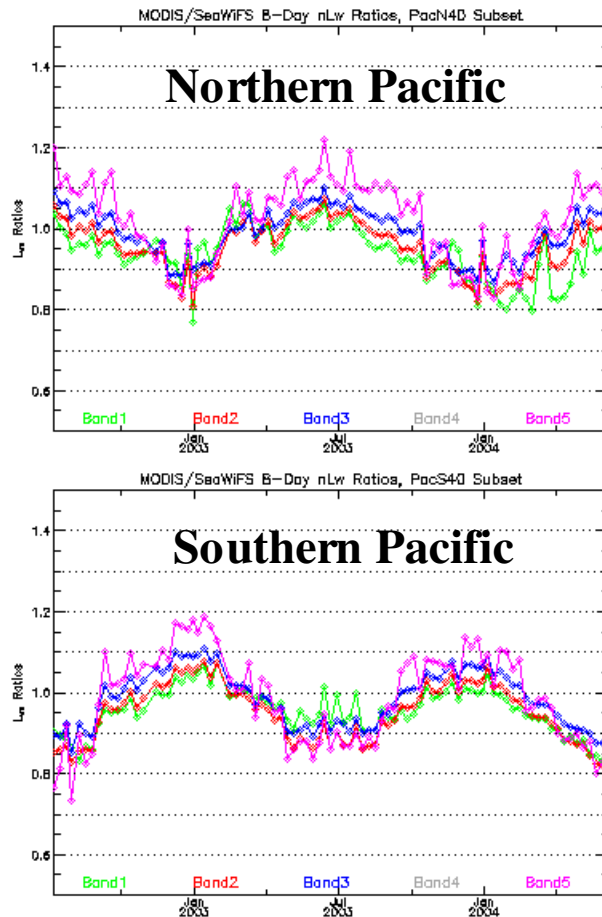
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Deep-Water



Bifurcation makes sense. Relative to SeaWiFS, the 488 and 551 bands should be elevated at chlorophylls typical of deep water ($\sim 0.2 \text{ mg/m}^3$).

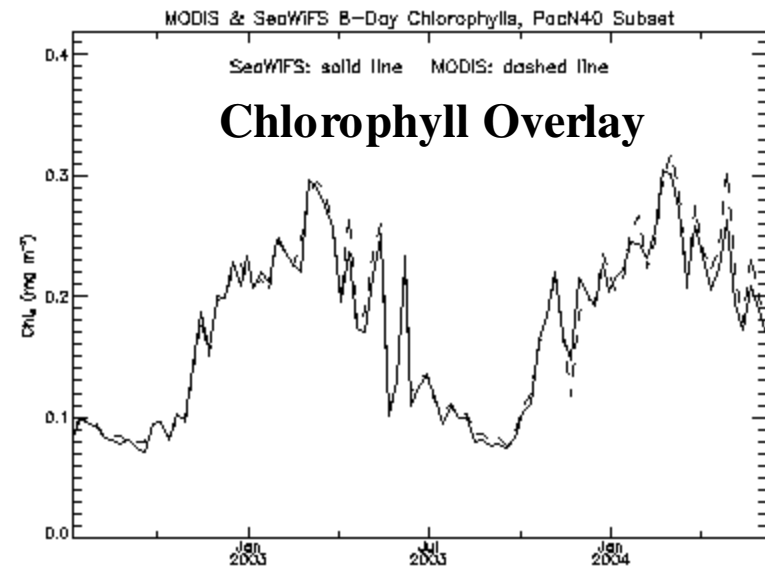
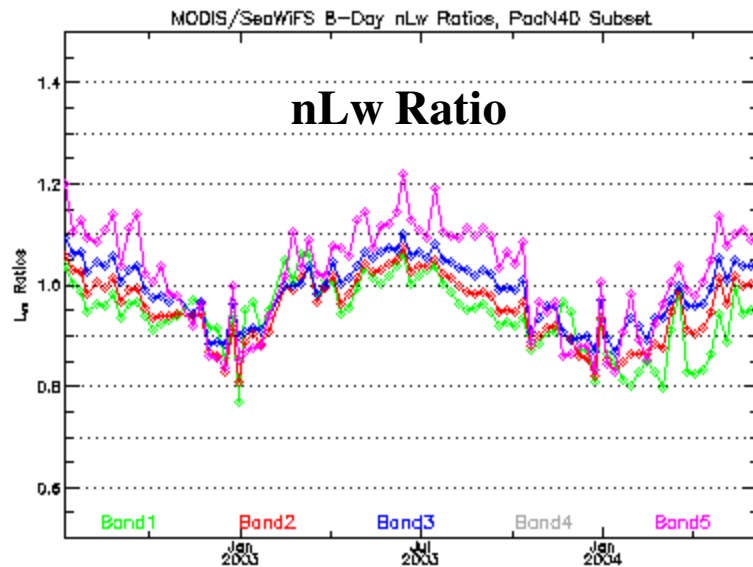
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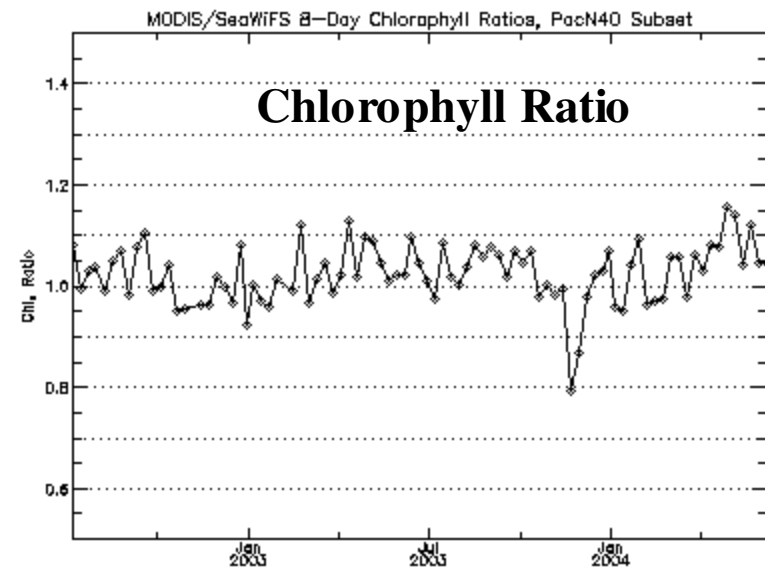
Seasonal differences of +/- 10% between SeaWiFS and MODIS/Aqua still evident at high latitudes (high solar zenith). After polarization correction, behavior is spectrally consistent, but cause is unknown.

MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

Northern Pacific

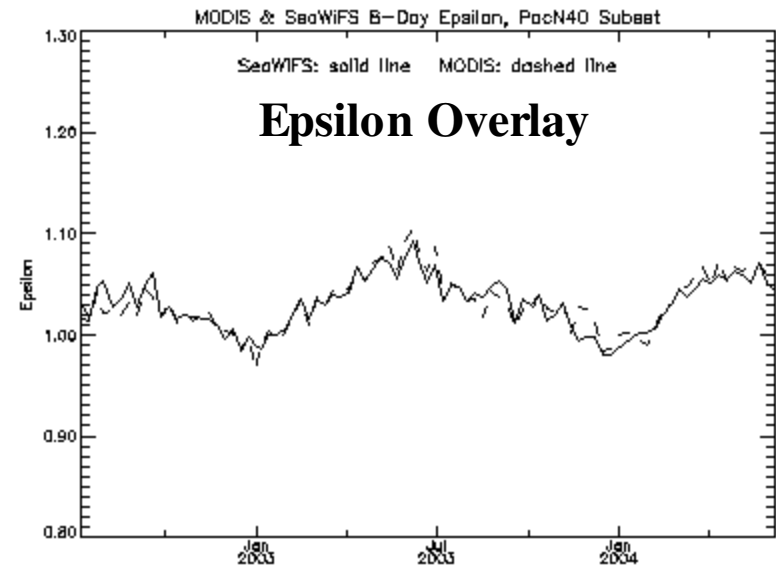
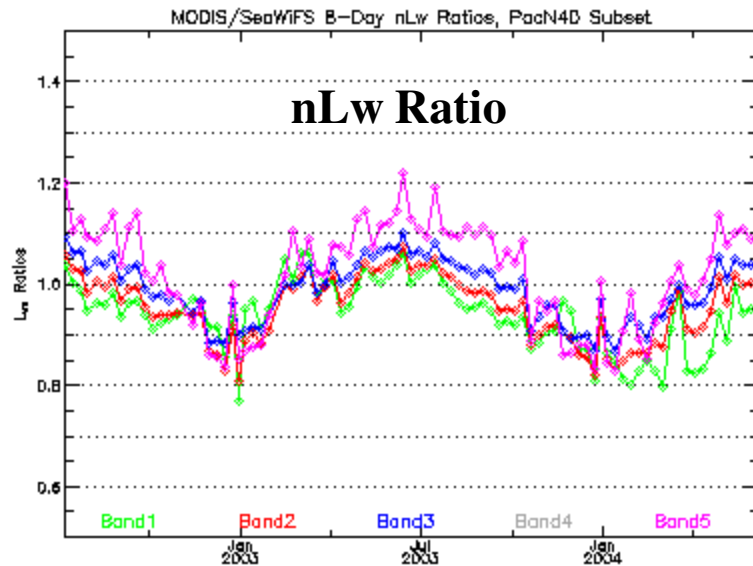


Chlorophyll agreement is very good. Rrs band ratios do not show seasonal cycle relative to SeaWiFS.

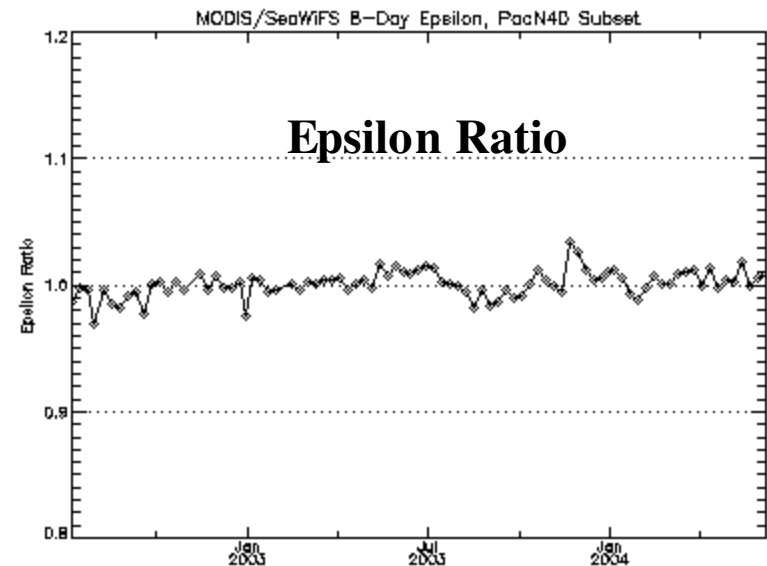


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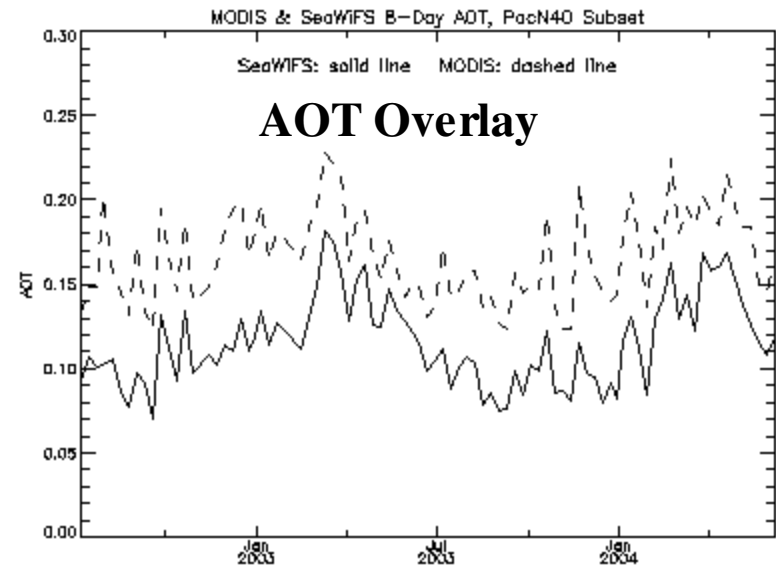
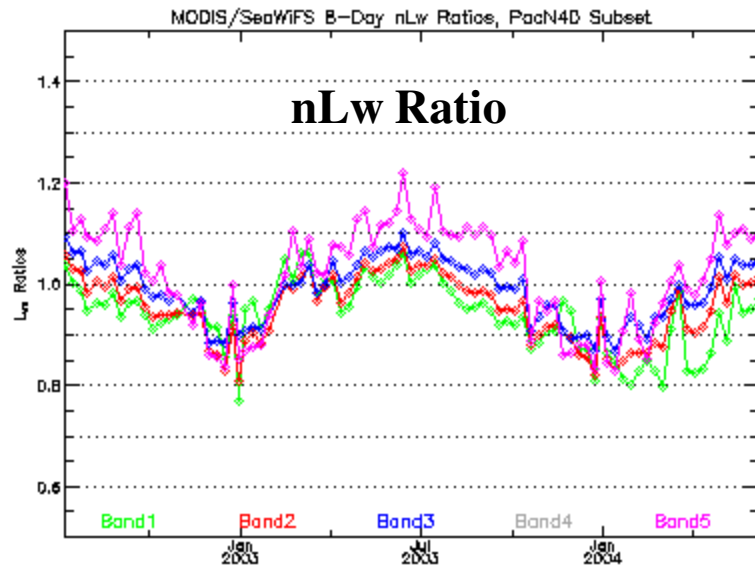


Epsilon agreement is very good. NIR band ratios do not show seasonal cycle relative to SeaWiFS.



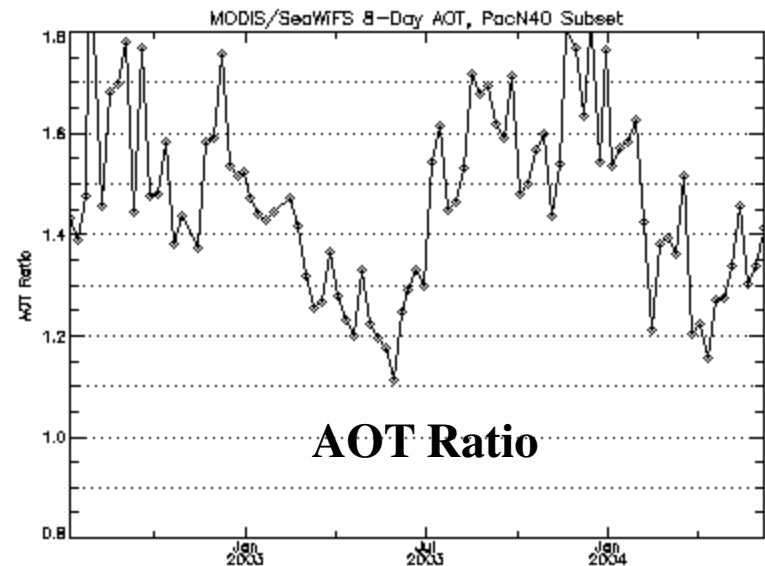
MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

Northern Pacific



AOT does show seasonal cycle relative to SeaWiFS. AOT is also higher for MODIS.

Excess signal at 869nm? OOB?



RVS and Striping

Causes of RVS

- Change in mirror reflectivity per AOI
- Change in mirror polarization sensitivity with AOI
- Systematic error in atmospheric correction with viewing angle
- Uncorrected surface BRDF

Causes of Striping

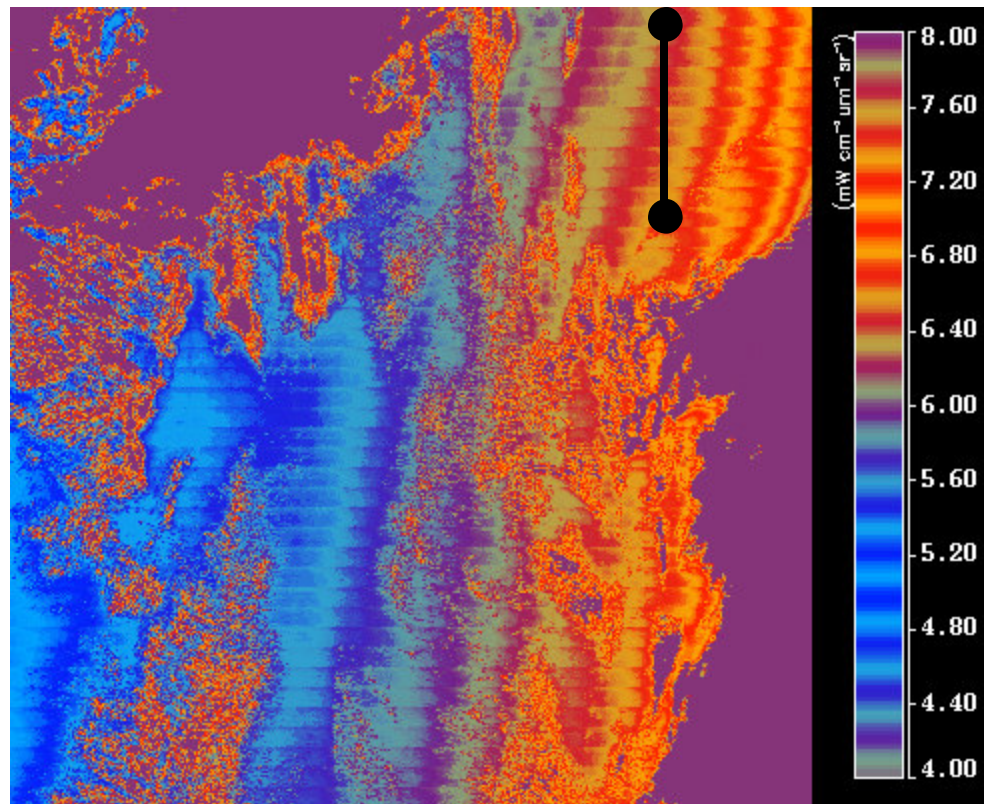
- Detector gain differences (may include non-linearity)
- Detector RSR differences
 - effects will vary with source spectral shape
- Slight differences in mirror AOI per detector
 - reflectivity of mirror per side, per AOI
 - polarization sensitivity per side, per AOI
- Error in geometry dependence of atmospheric correction model

Causes of Banding

- Change in mirror reflectivity per side
- Side-specific RVS, polarization sensitivity differences

MODIS/Aqua TOA Radiance

412 nm, Eastern Scan Edge

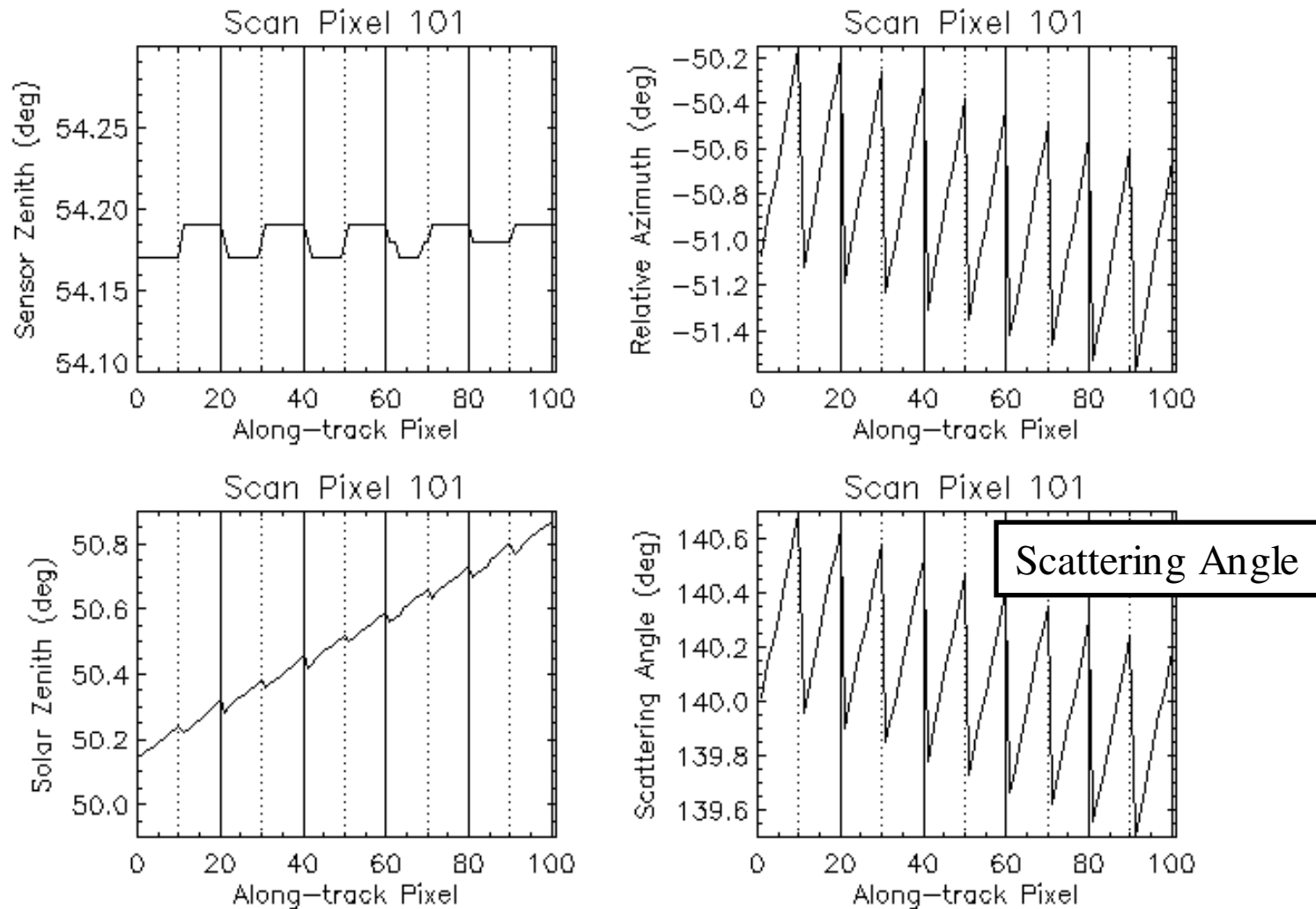


Striping is visible in TOA radiances, but some of this striping is expected: due to variation in viewing geometry per detector which results in a variation in observed atmospheric signal.

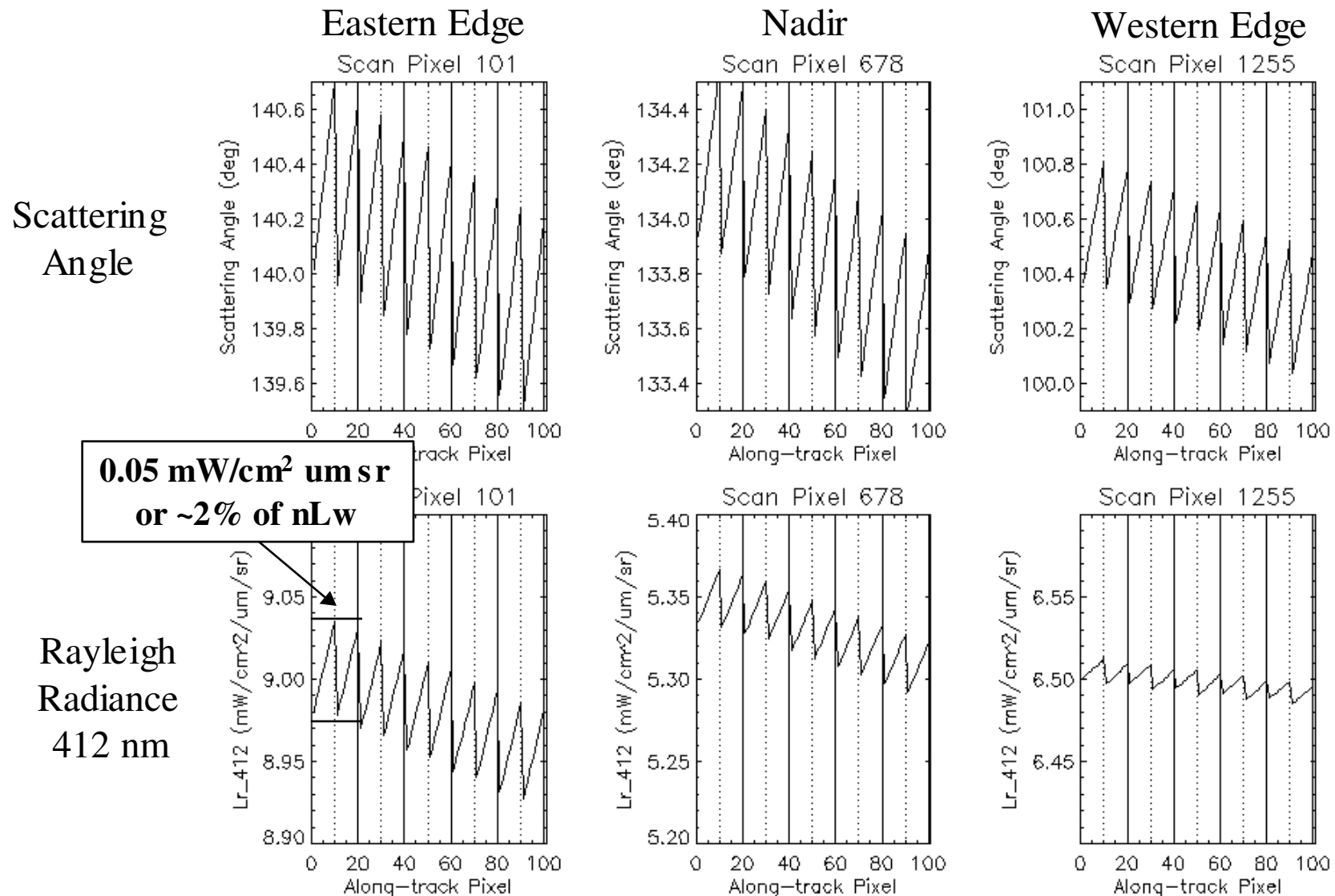
MODIS/Aqua

Variation of Geometry Along-Track

Eastern Scan Edge



Variation of Rayleigh Radiance Along-Track

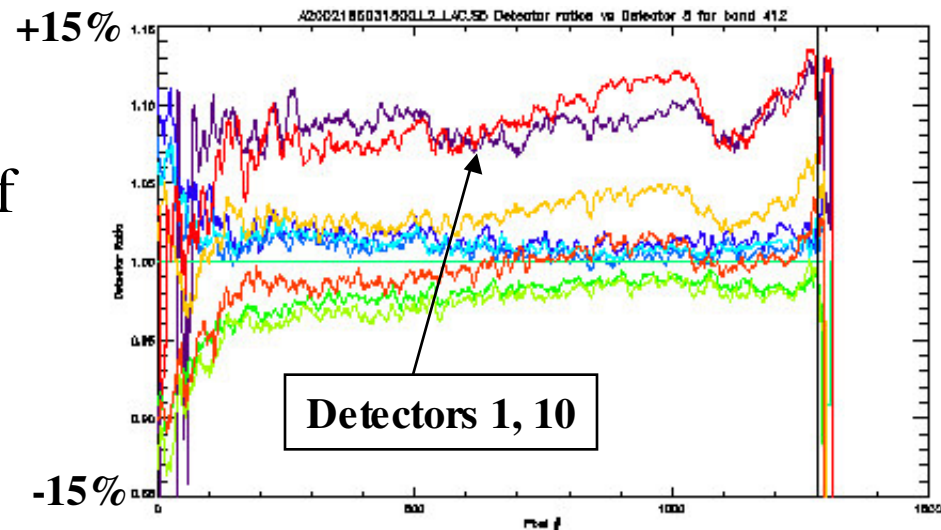


This means, for oceans, we can not use simple statistical methods on TOA signal (e.g., histogram equalization) to remove residual striping.

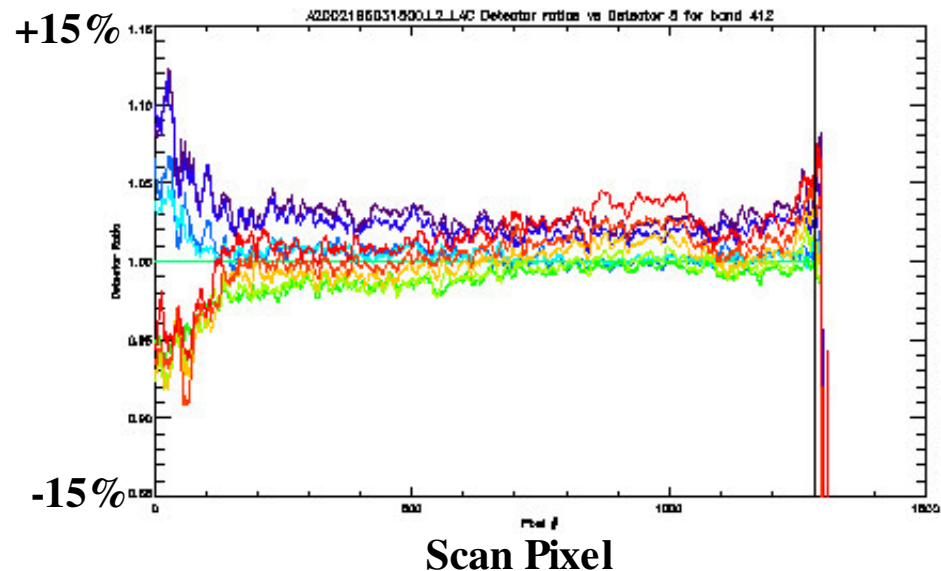
Effect of MCST Solar Diffuser Destriping Correction

surface reflectance at 412nm, normalized to detector 5

Before application of
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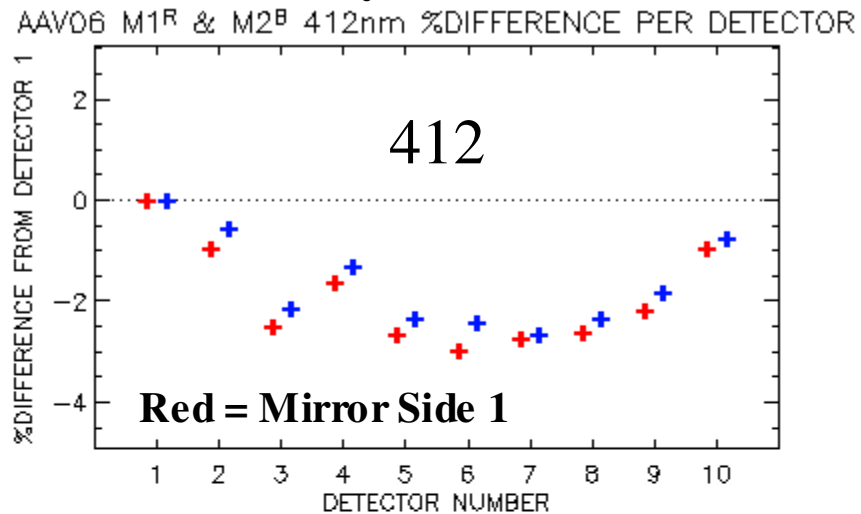
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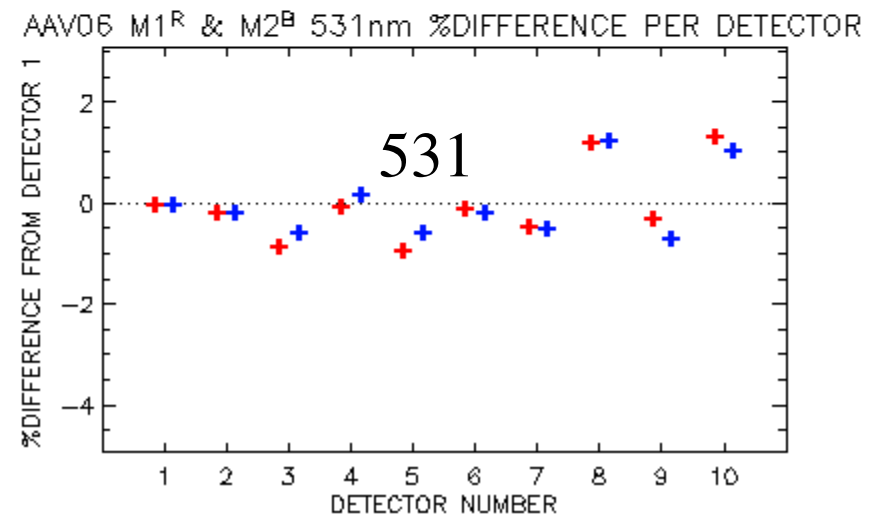
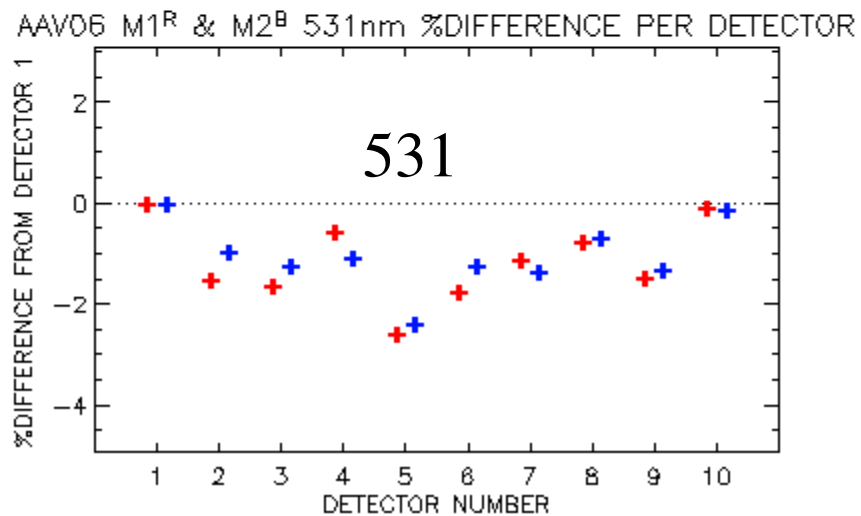
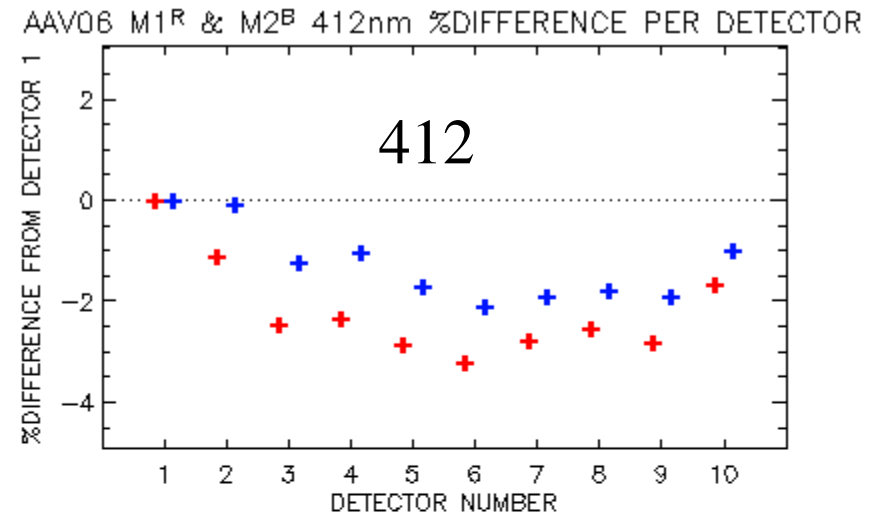
Residual Striping in nLw

Mean % Difference per Detector Relative to 7-Day Mean

Early Mission

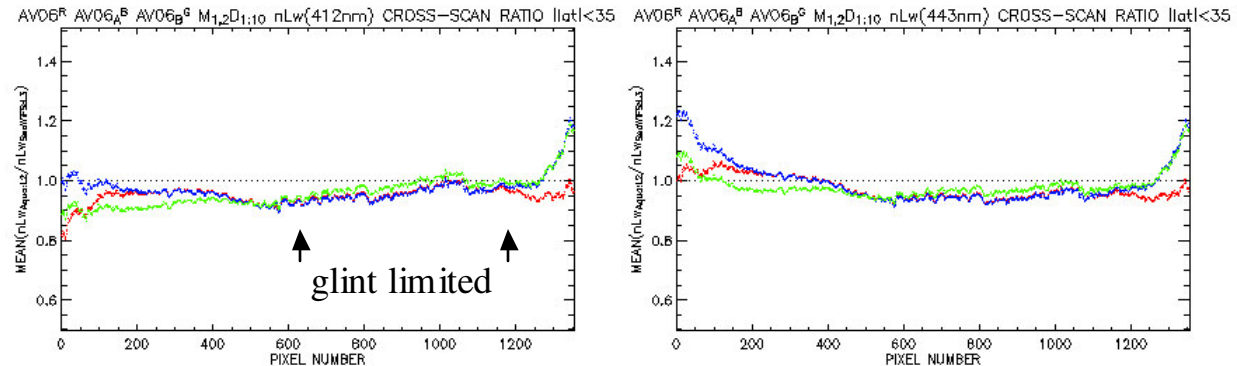


Late Mission

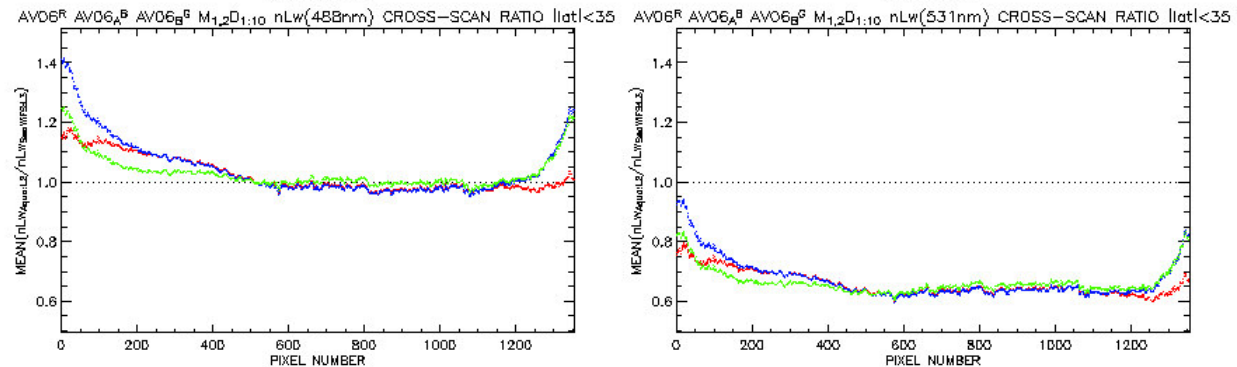


Effects of BRDF on Scan-Dependence of MODIS/Aqua nLw *low chl water ($C < 0.15 \text{ mg/m}^3$)* day 2002 226

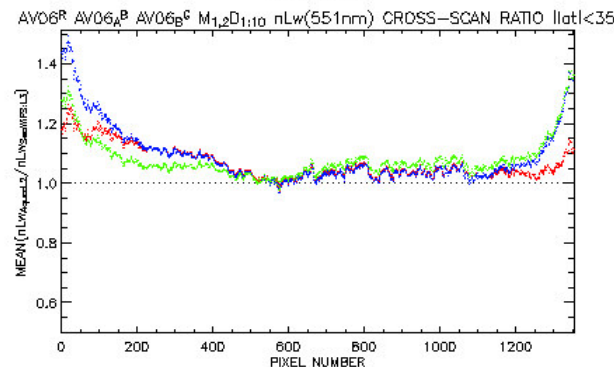
**Fresnel
Red**



**Morel \mathcal{R}
Blue**



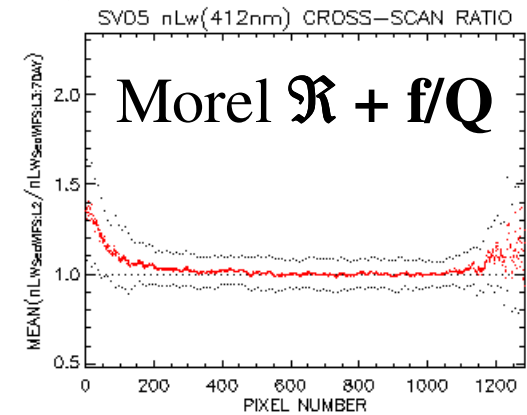
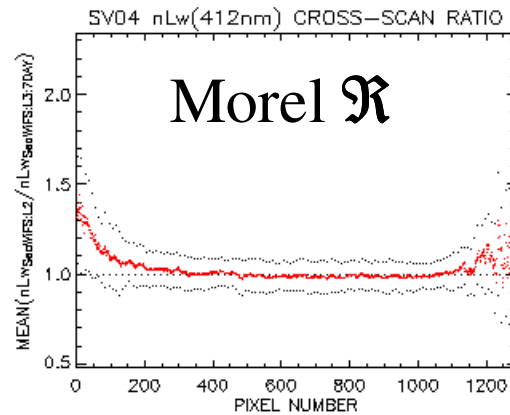
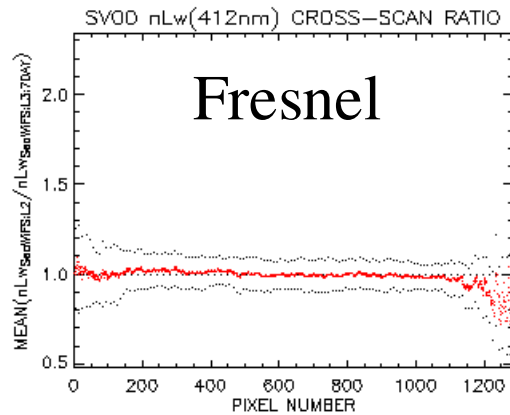
**Morel \mathcal{R} + f/Q
Green**



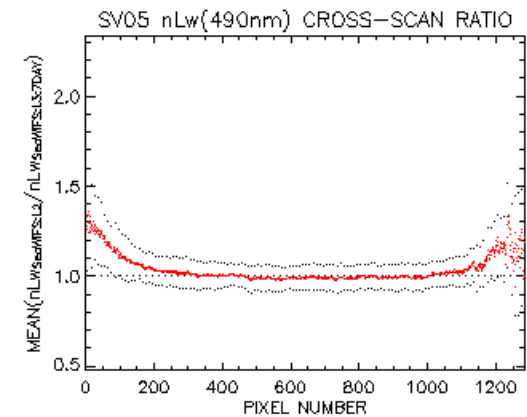
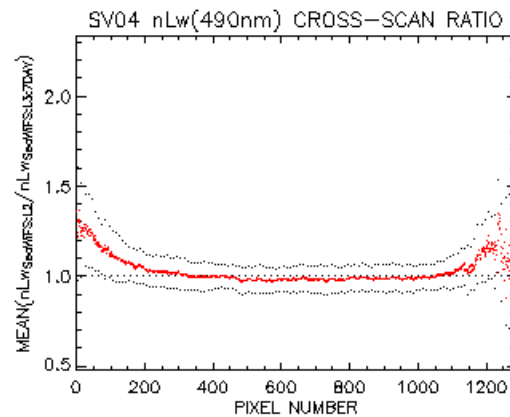
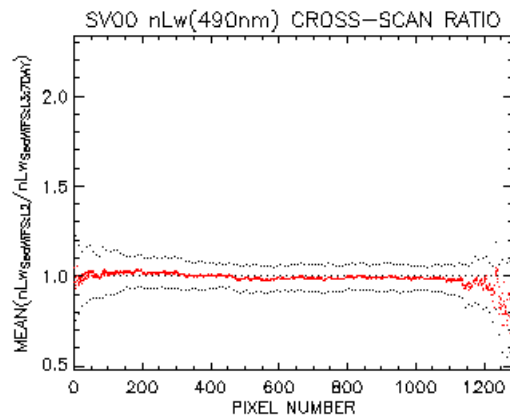
**Derived by comparison
of MODIS/Aqua Level-2
with SeaWiFS Level-3.**

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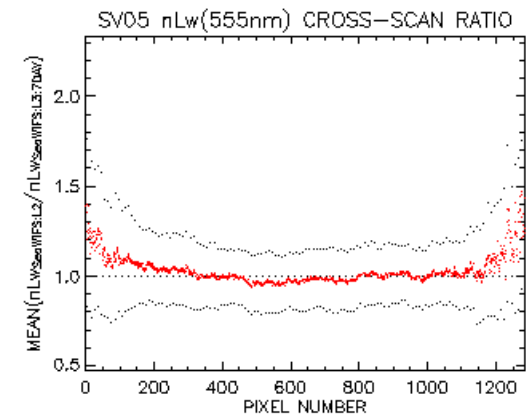
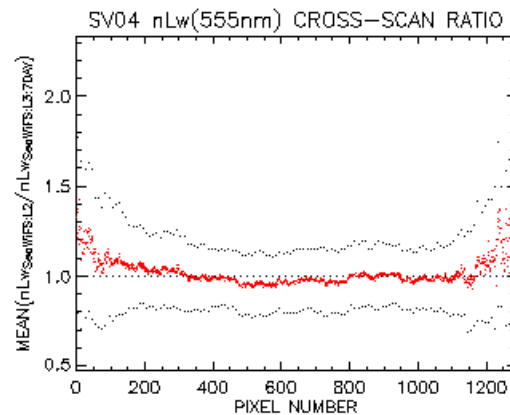
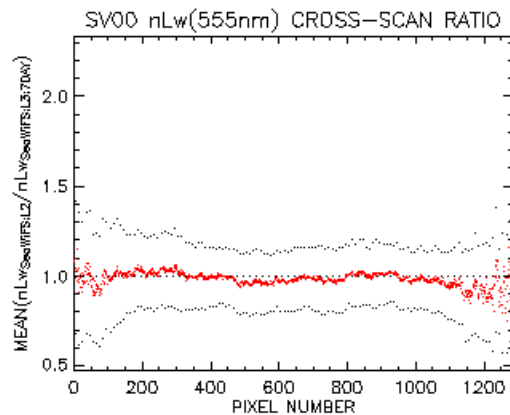
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490



555



Reducing RVS and Striping Artifacts

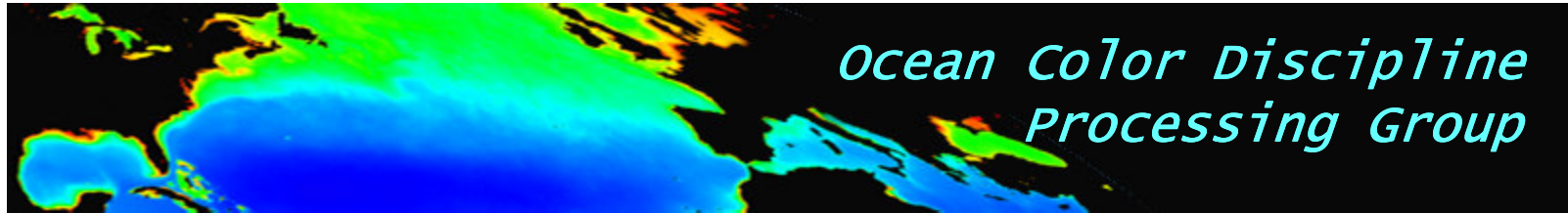
Instrument Approach

- On-board calibration: evaluate alternate LUTs
 - no detector-dependence in SD m1s
 - alternate temporal models for fitting detector-dependent SD m1s
 - no RVS correction
 - just pre-launch RVS correction
 - pre-launch + 2-point (solar-lunar) time-dependent correction
 - pre-launch + 3-point (solar-lunar-srca) time-dependent correction (Terra)
- Pre-launch polarization
 - evaluate change to per-detector polarization sensitivity
 - optical models indicate that dependency should exist
 - preliminary tests show no benefit to Aqua
 - quality of Aqua pre-launch polarization measurements may not be sufficient to determine detector dependence

Reducing RVS and Striping Artifacts

Vicarious Approach

- Derive vicarious RVS per detector
 - calibrate MODIS to multi-day MODIS Level-3 composite
 - detector and scan-dependence minimized in Level-3
 - derive mean gain per band, detector, mirror-side at each scan pixel
 - capability is in development
- Derive vicarious RVS and polarization sensitivity per detector
 - calibrate MODIS using SeaWiFS Level-2 nLw and/or aerosol retrievals
 - SeaWiFS is stable with time, insensitive to polarization
 - provides global distribution of predicted TOA radiances to characterize effects with varying viewing and solar geometry.
 - band-pass differences must be accounted for via spectral models (Morel)
 - added uncertainty due to time-of-day differences (BRDF)
 - simultaneous optimization for scan-dependent gain and polarization sensitivities (M11, M12, M13) per band, detector, mirror-side
 - initial results are now being evaluated



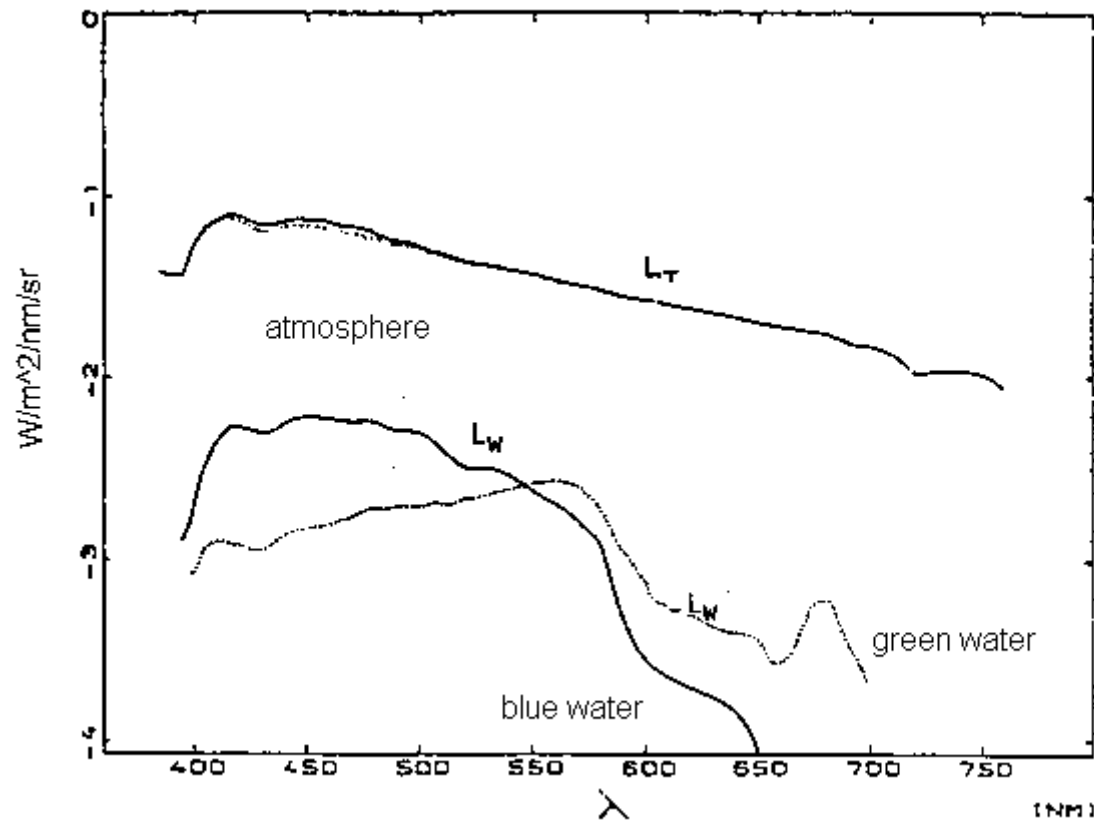
MODIS Calibration and Characterization Effects on Ocean Color

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Ocean Product Sensitivity to Calibration



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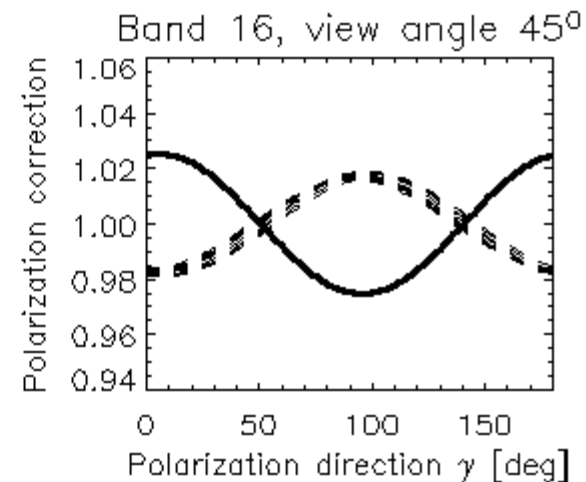
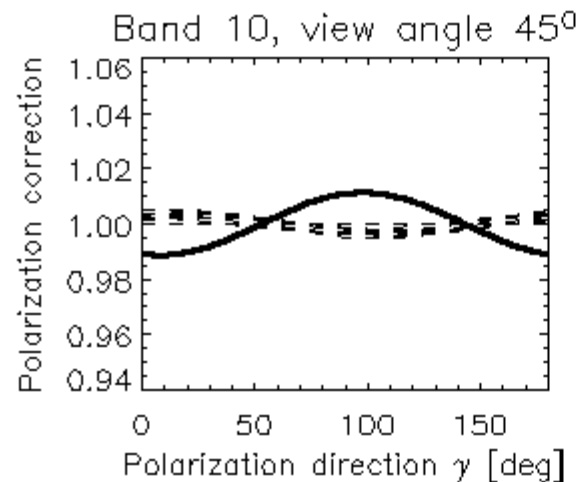
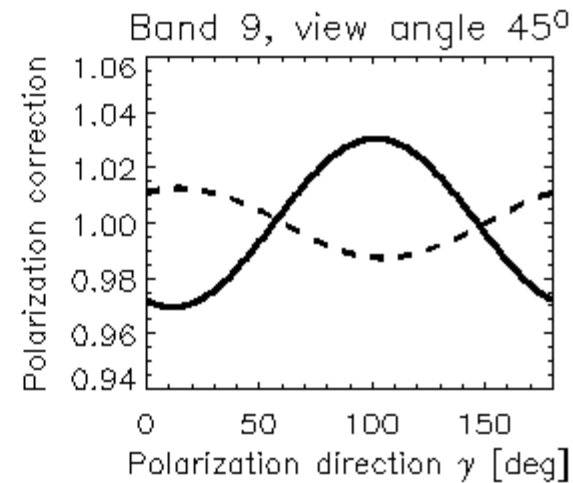
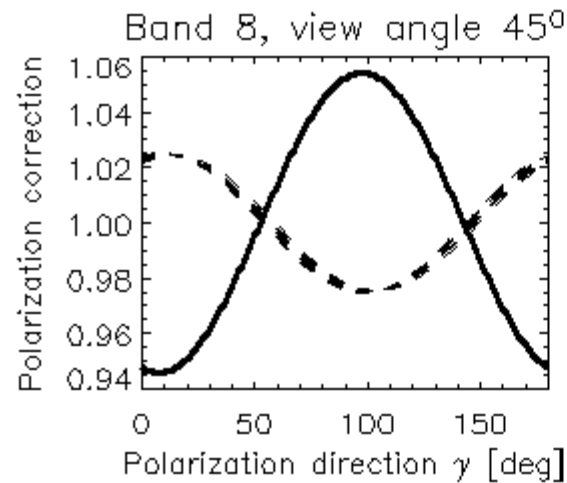
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Solid line: AT06 polarization correction
Dashed line: original polarization correction

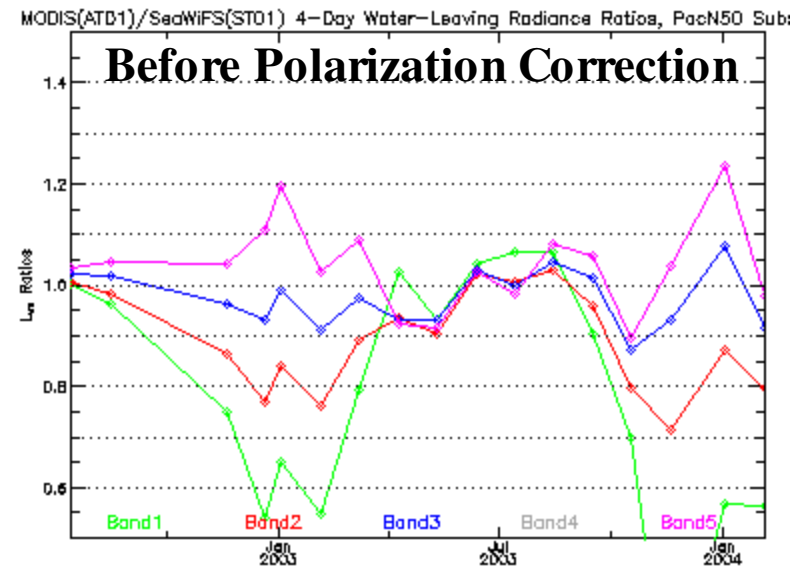
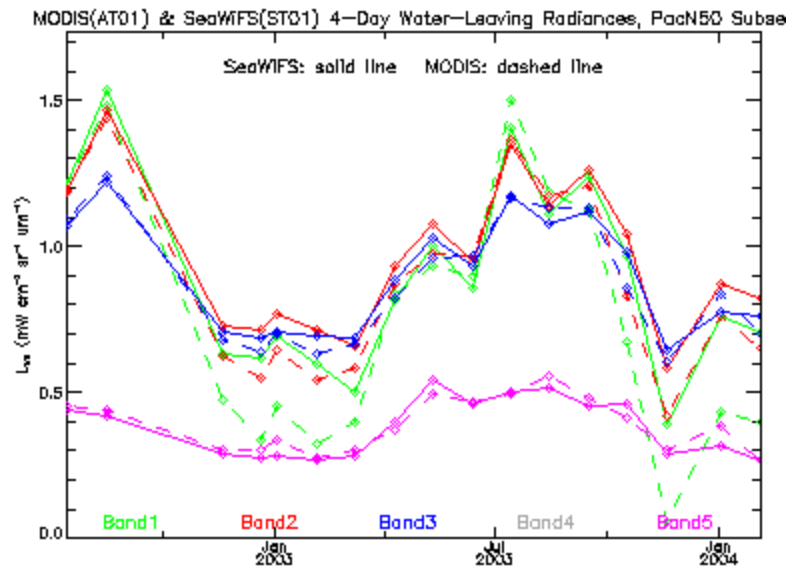


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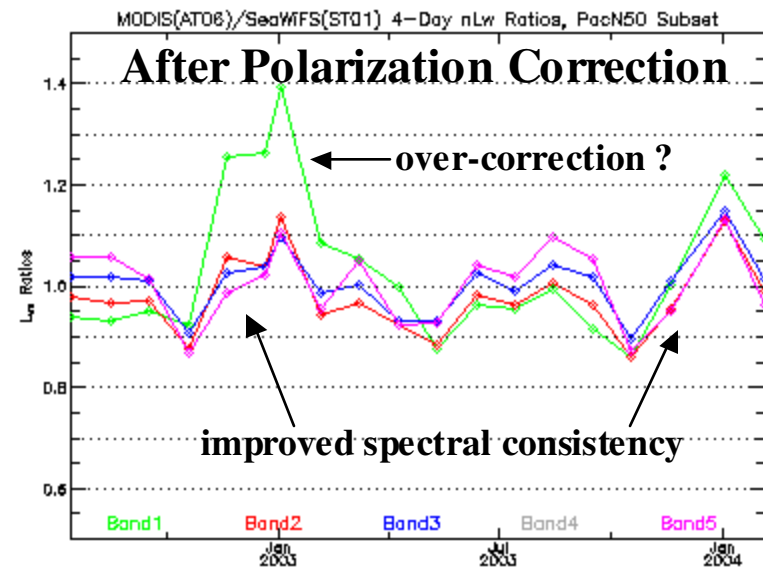
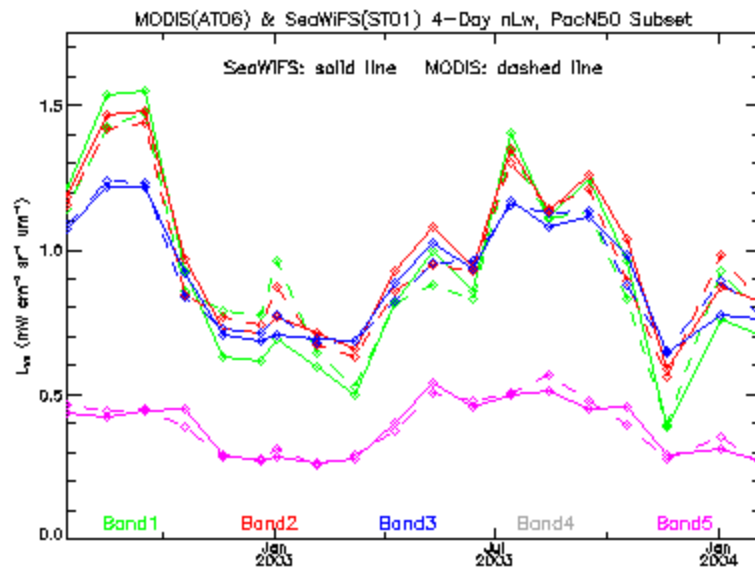
nLw: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

50N-40N, 150W-170W

AT01



AT06

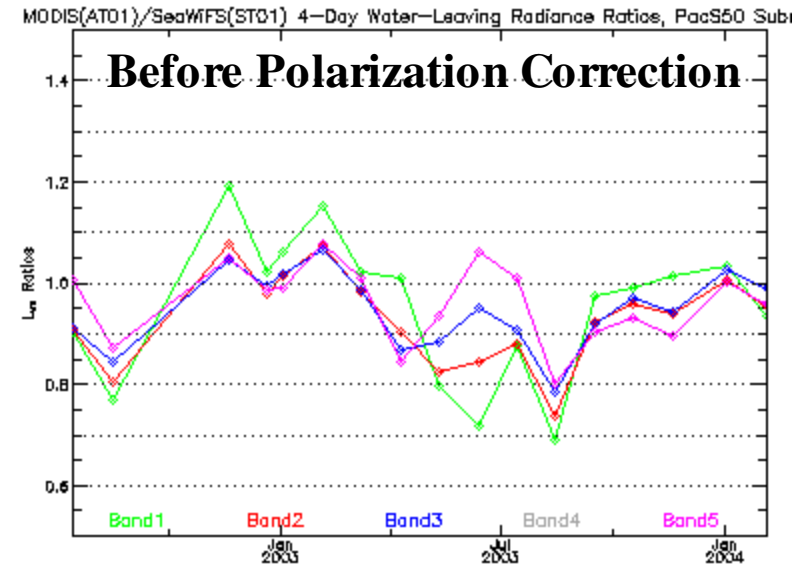
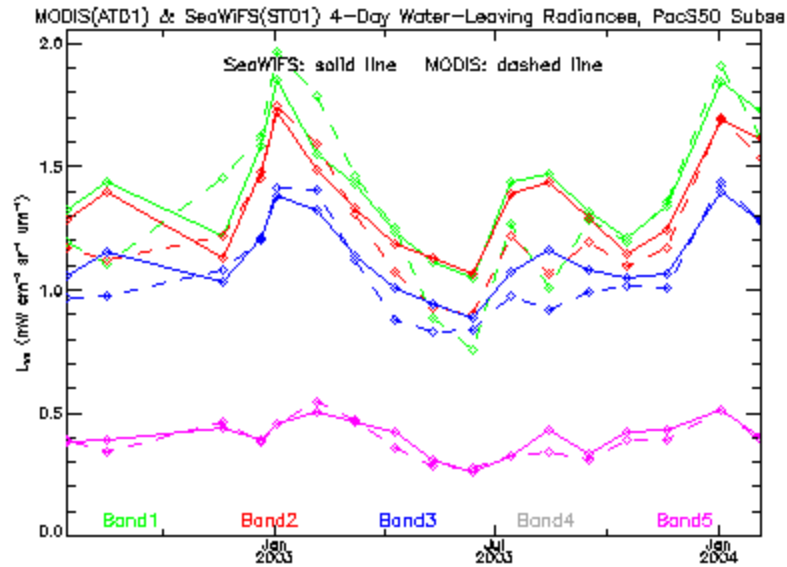


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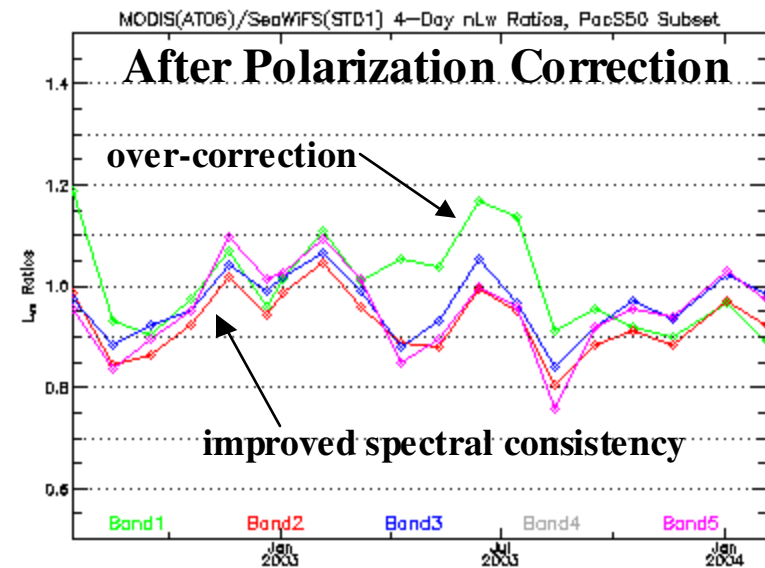
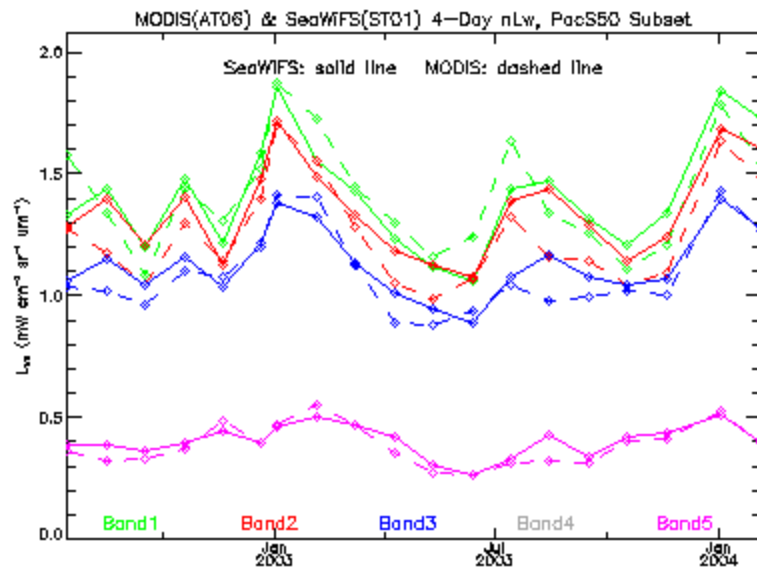
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50S-40S, 150W-170W

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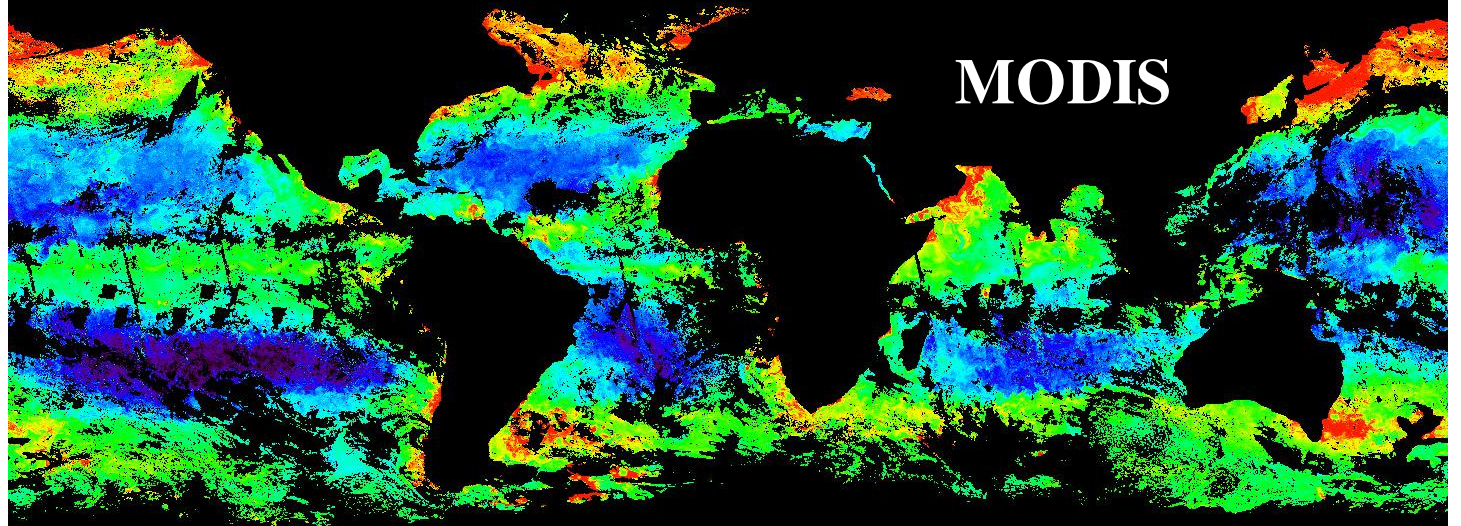
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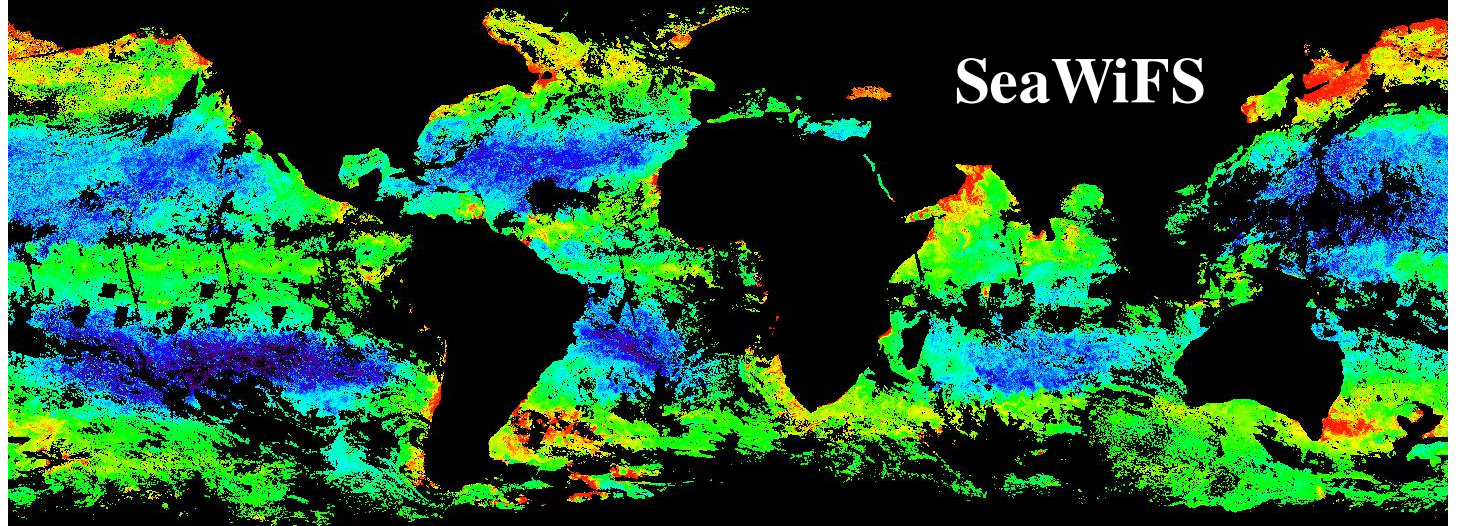
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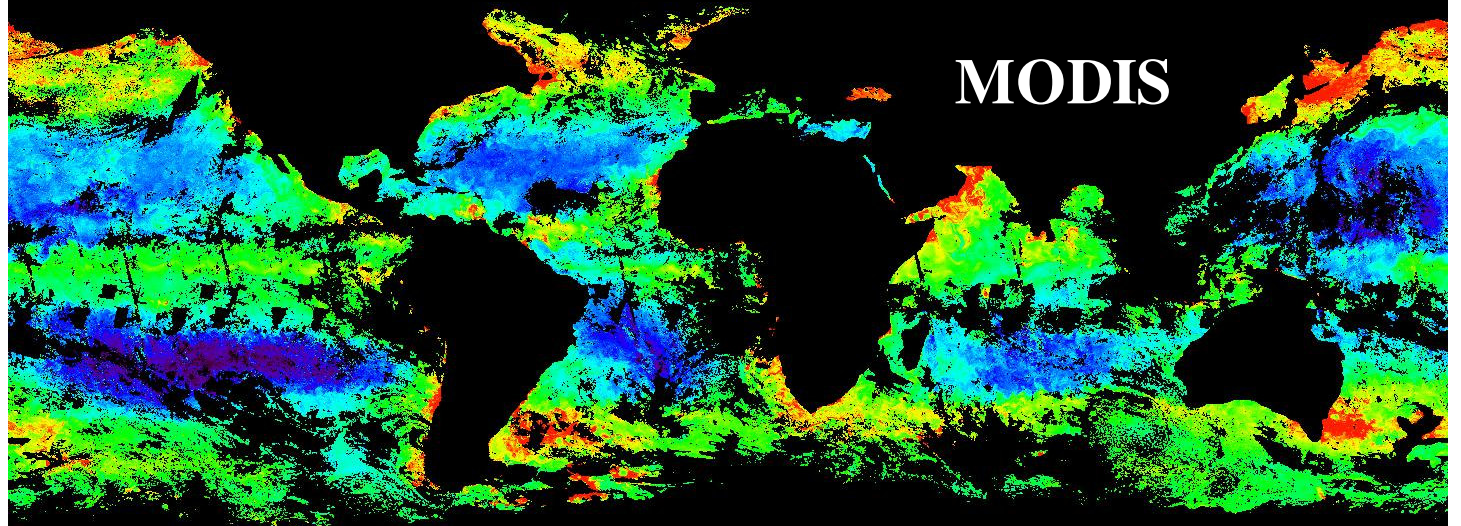
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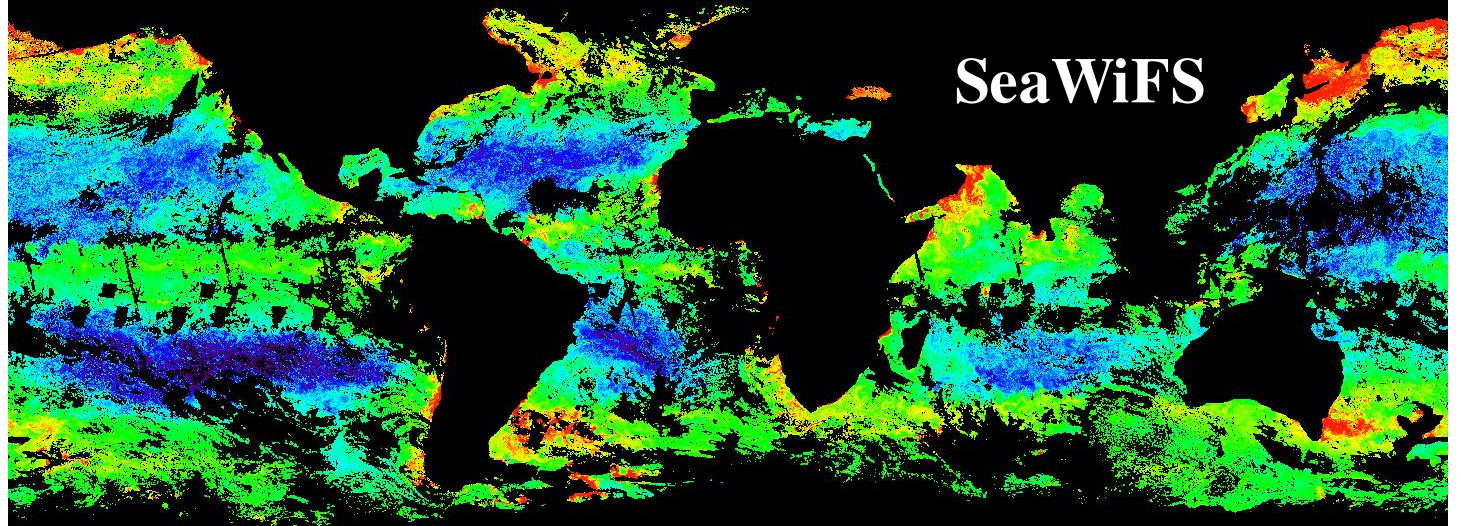
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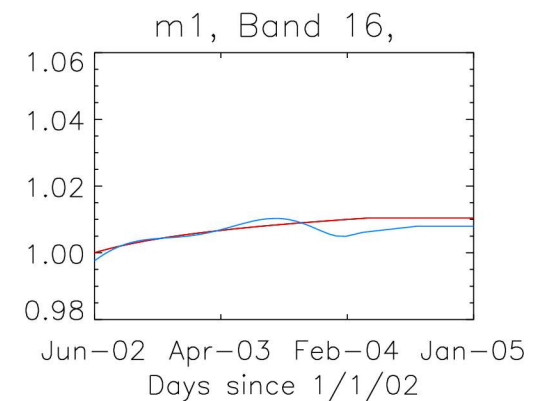
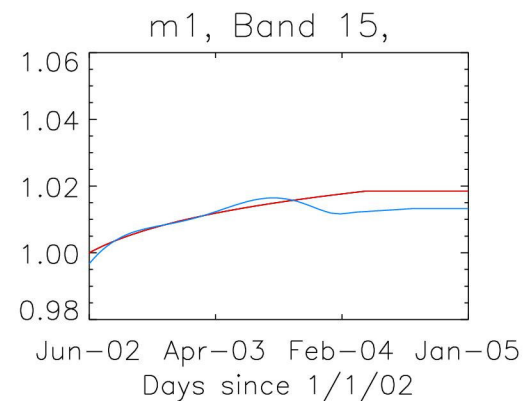
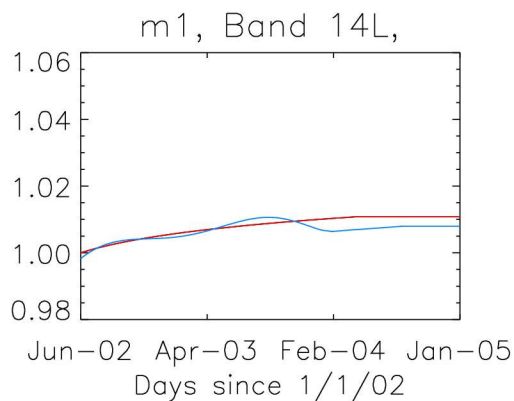
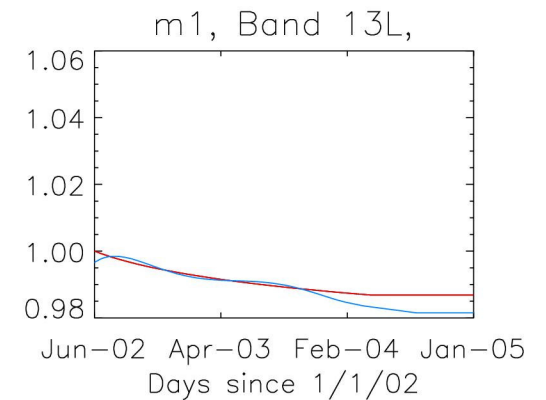
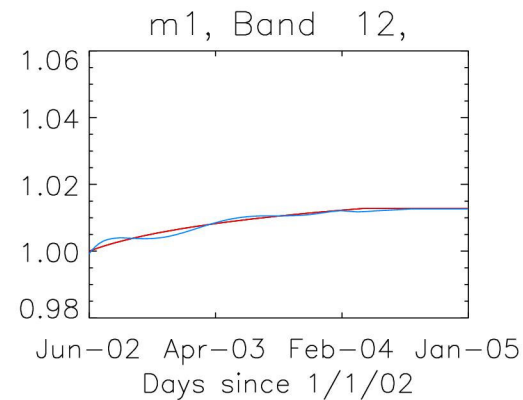
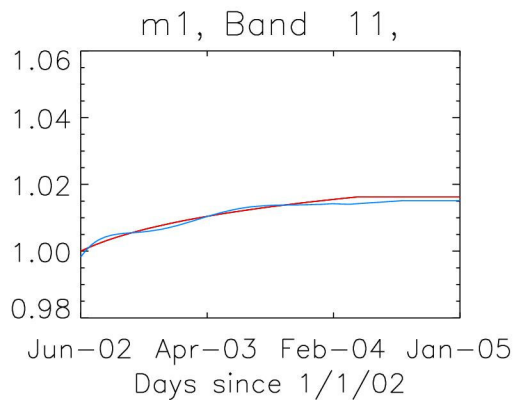
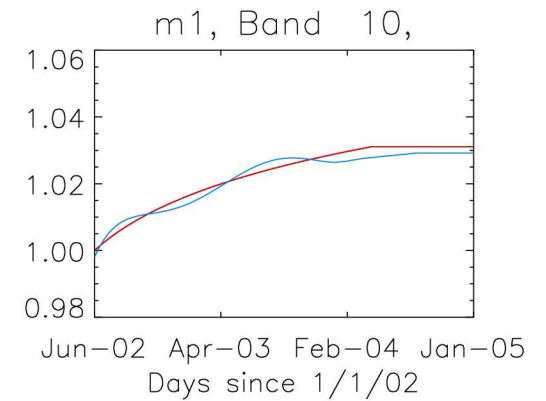
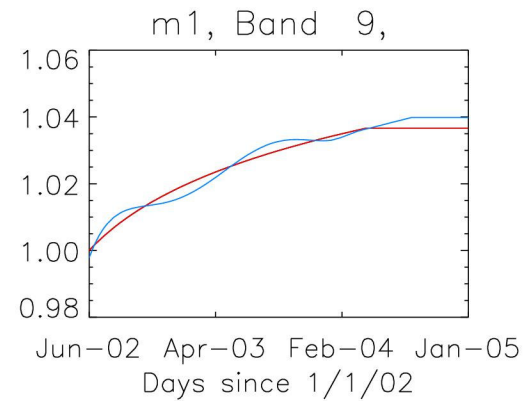
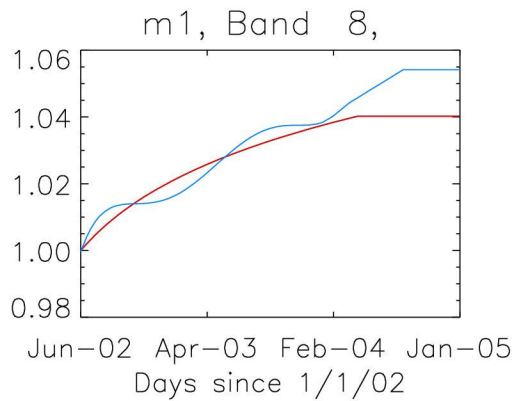
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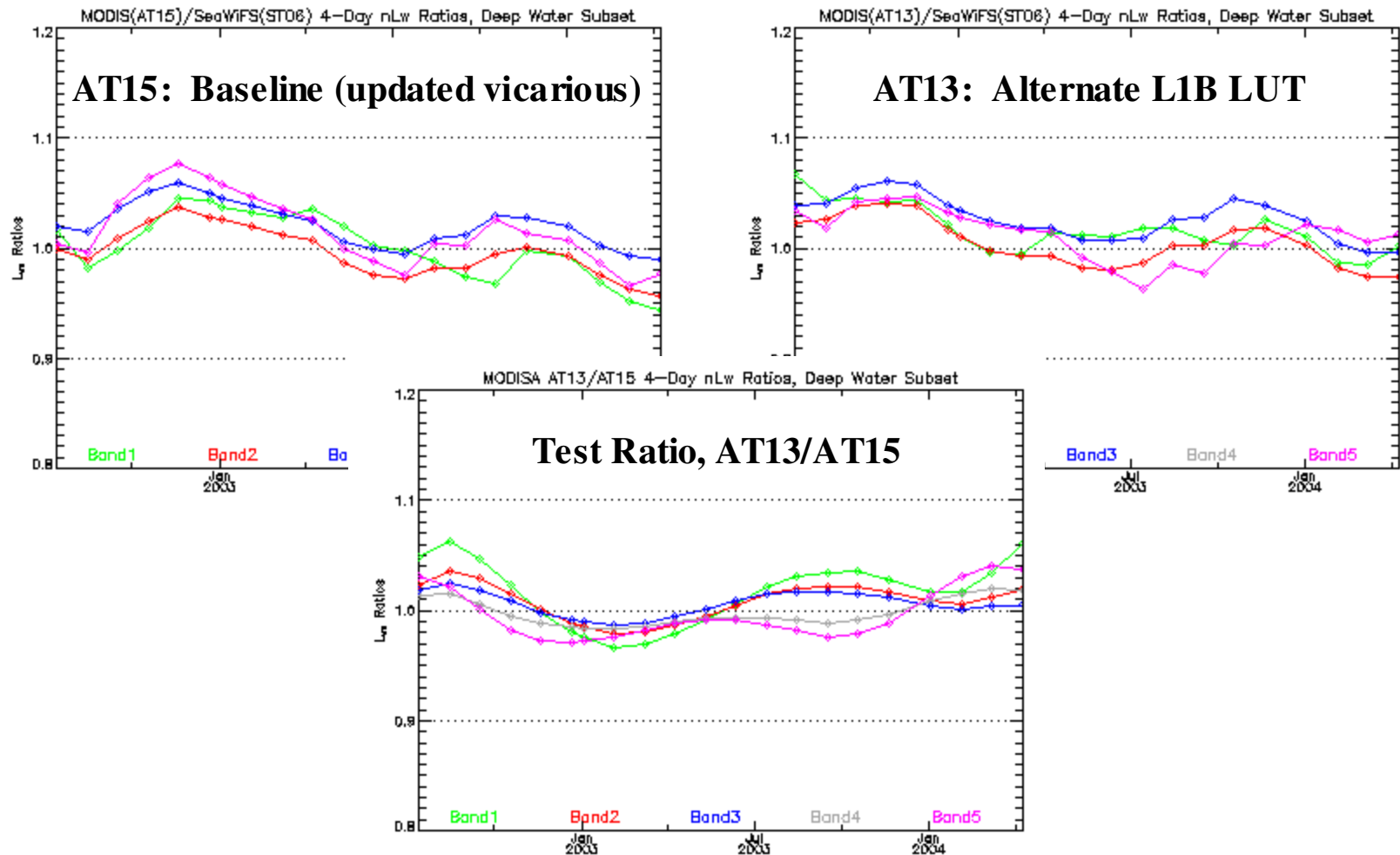
- AT01: Fresnel BRDF, no polarization correction, log-fitted L1B LUT
- AT02: AT01 with standard polarization correction
- AT03: AT01 with corrected phase polarization correction
- AT04: AT03 with Gothic-R BRDF
- AT05: AT03 with Gothic-R + f/Q BRDF
- AT06: AT01 with corrected phase and magnitude polarization correction
- AT07: AT06 with HIGLINT masking
- AT08: AT07 with reduced cloud threshold (0.027)
- AT09: AT06 with reversed polarizer rotation
- AT10: AT07 with reduced cloud threshold (0.022)
- AT11: AT08 with updated L1B LUT (V4.3.1.5S)
- AT12: AT11 with Fresnel + f/Q BRDF
- **AT13: AT15 with alternate L1B LUT (piece-wise polynomial fit)**
- AT14: AT11 with modified polarization (NIR from Terra)
- **AT15: AT11 with updated vicarious calibration**

Log-fit m1 (red) and piece-wise polynomial m1 (blue)



nLw: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

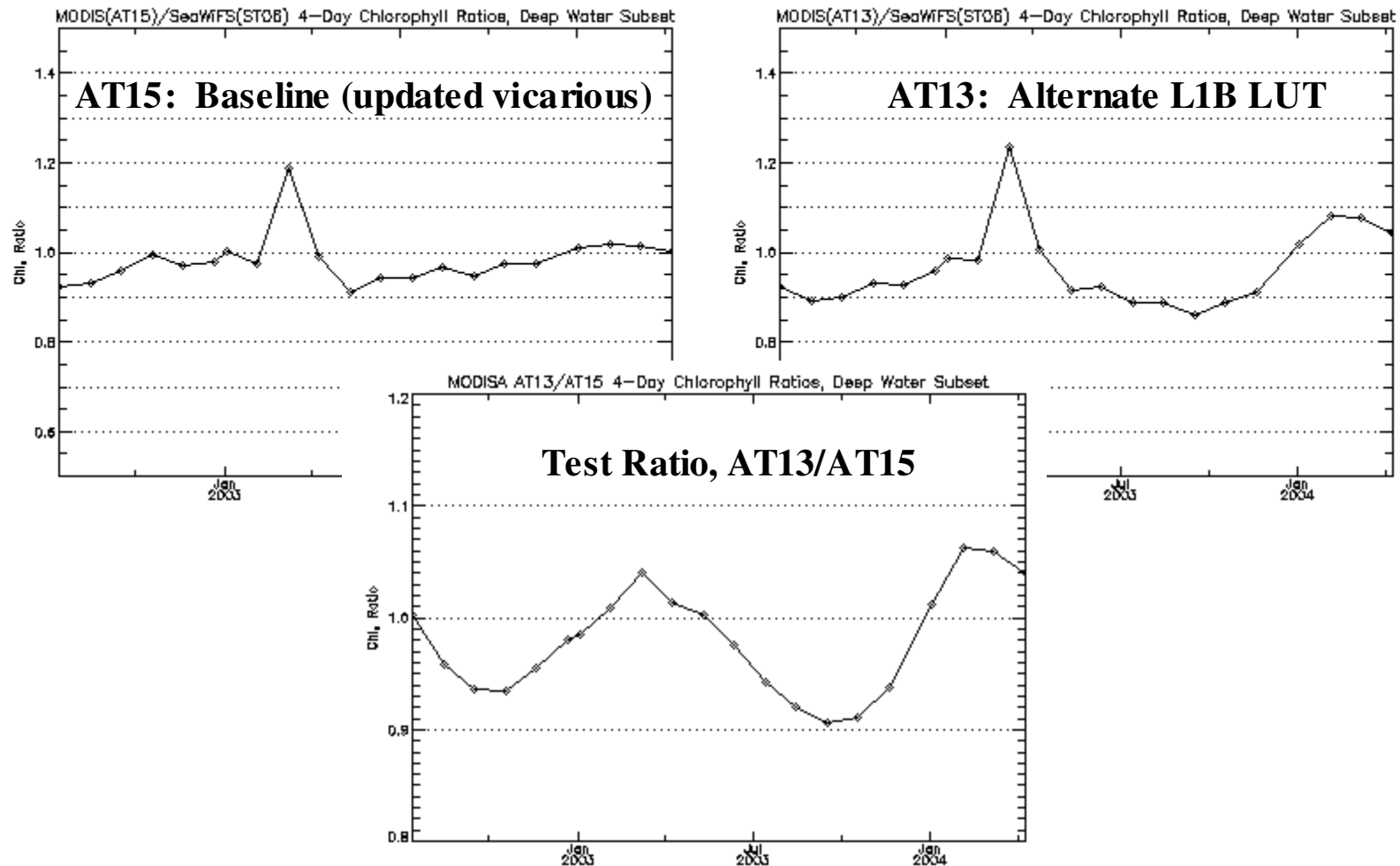
Deep-Water



Effect of alternate L1B LUT, piecewise polynomial fit to SD m1s.

nLw: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

Deep-Water



Effect of alternate L1B LUT: piecewise polynomial fit to SD m1s.
Increased variability in chlorophyll relative to SeaWiFS.

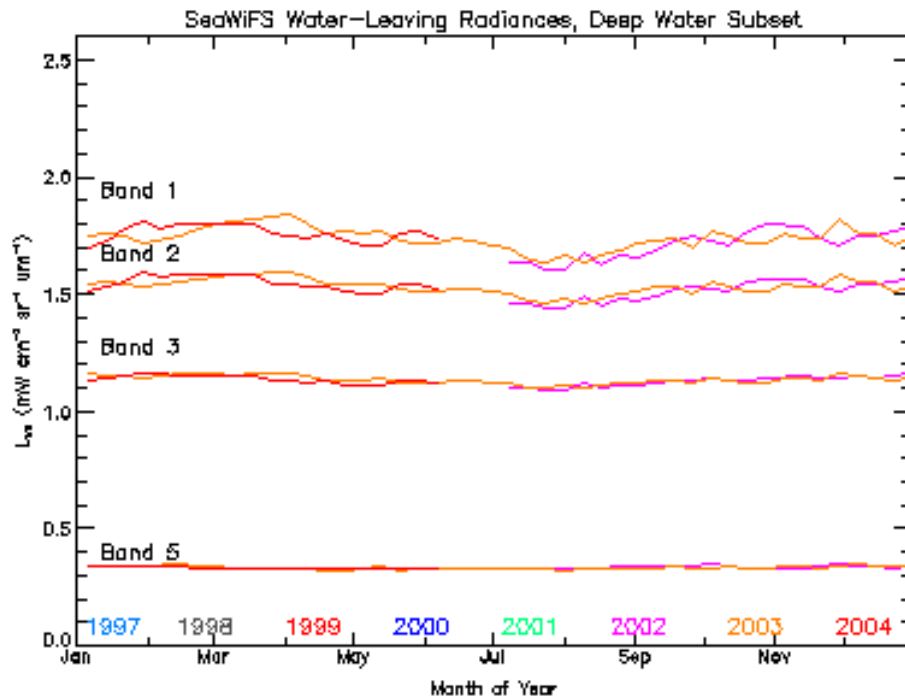
MODIS/Aqua R0 Processing Decisions

- Multiple MCST LUTs evaluated
 - measured m1
 - smoothed, log-fitted m1
 - piece-wise polynomial m1
 - use log-fitted m1 with periodic updates for baseline processing
- Polarization sensitivity (see poster by Meister et al.)
 - laboratory set-up and test results re-evaluated
 - new sensitivities derived (2x magnitude, phase-shifted)
 - new polarization corrections adopted for baseline reprocessing
- Vicarious calibration
 - one gain per band for all time
 - visible bands determined using MOBY
 - NIR bands determined using assumed aerosol-type

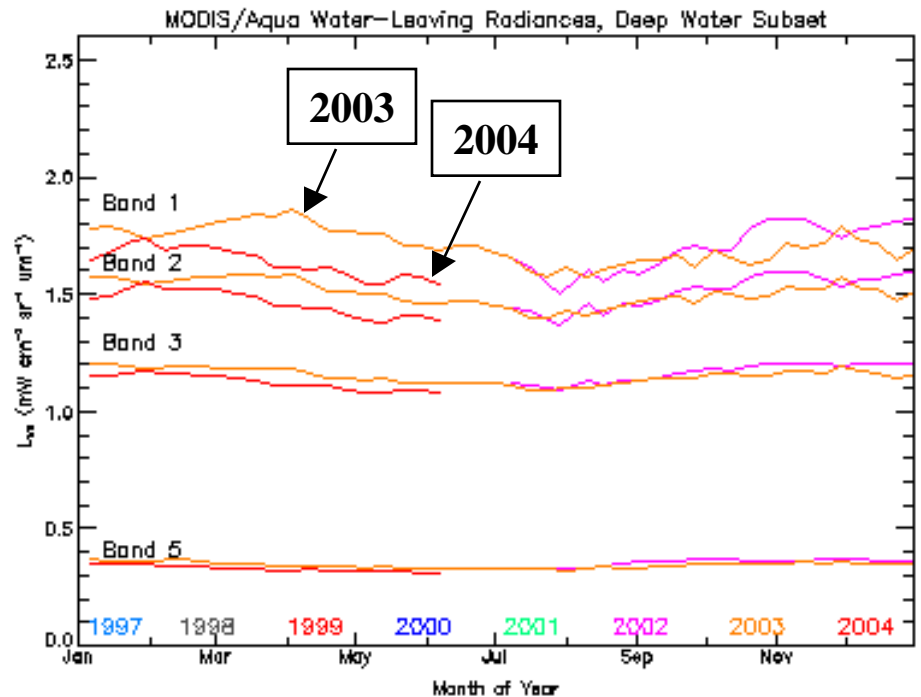
Annual Repeatability in nLw

Deep-Water Subset, 8-Day Bins

SeaWiFS R4



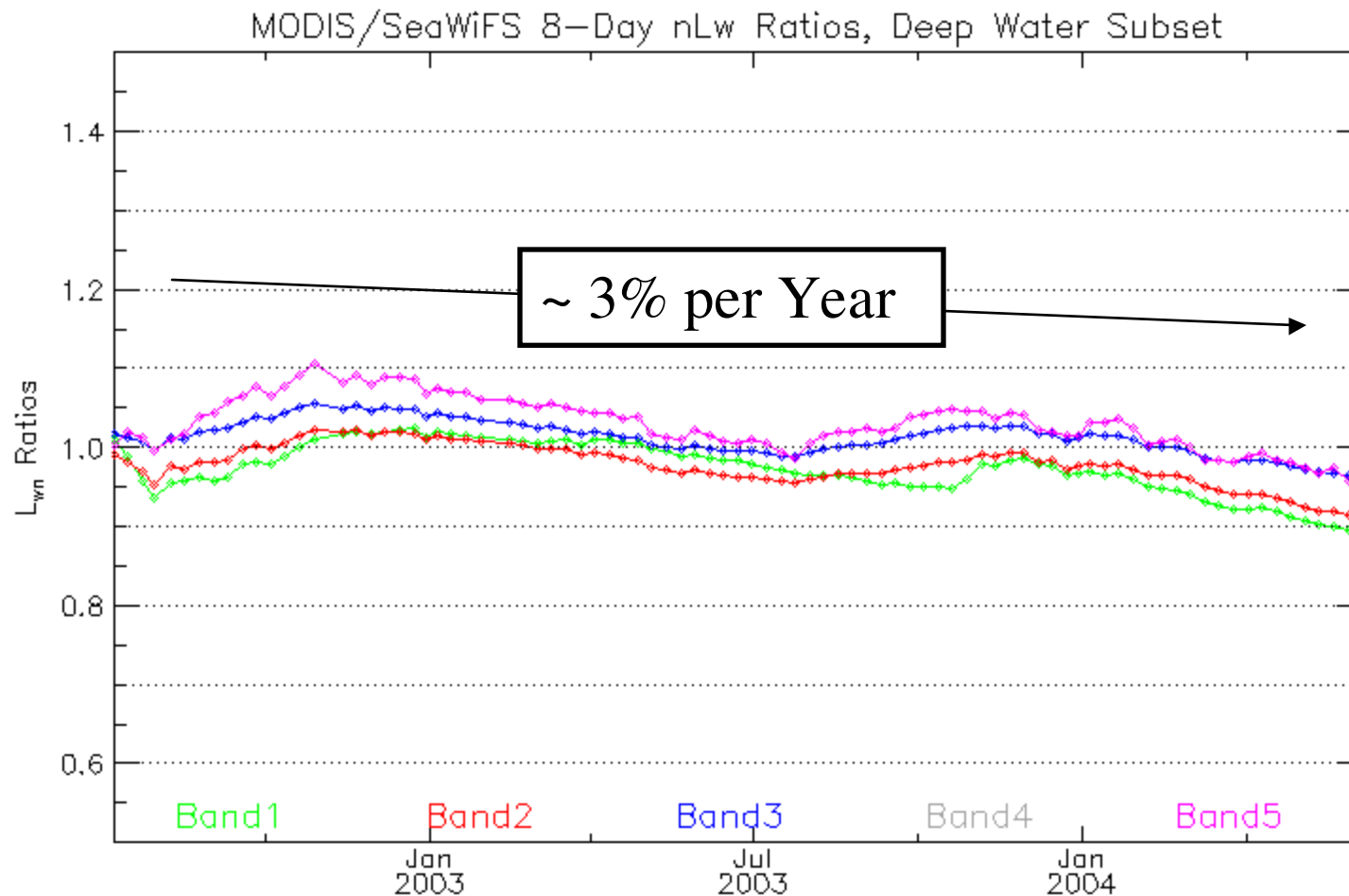
MODIS/Aqua R0



Temporal stability of MODIS/Aqua still not demonstrated.

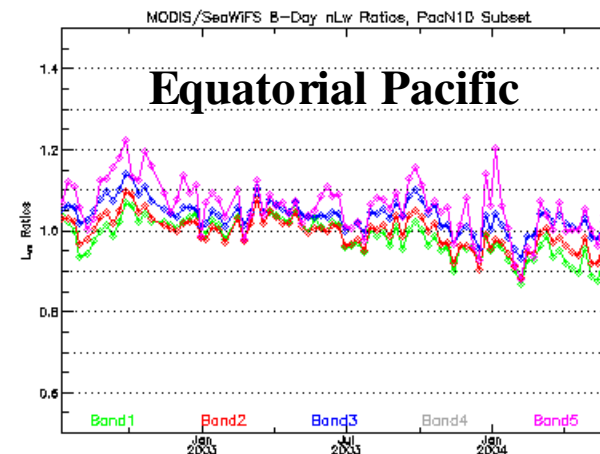
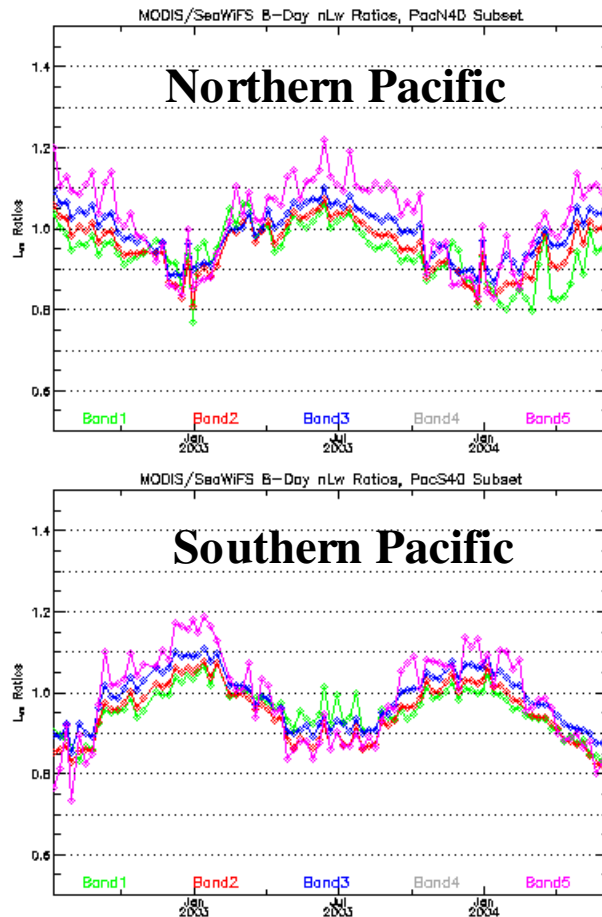
nLw: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

Deep-Water

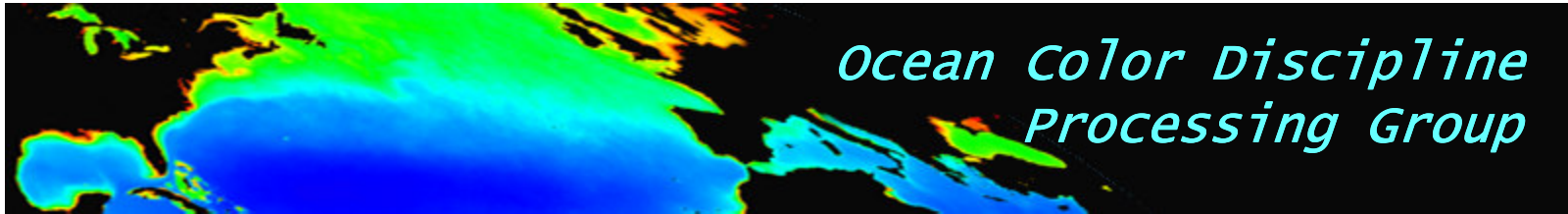


MODIS/Aqua water-leaving radiances show long-term decay relative to SeaWiFS, in addition to a seasonal cycle.

nLw: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS



Seasonal differences of +/- 10% between SeaWiFS and MODIS/Aqua still evident at high latitudes (high solar zenith). After polarization correction, behavior is spectrally consistent, but cause is unknown.



Product Development

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Calibration Updates

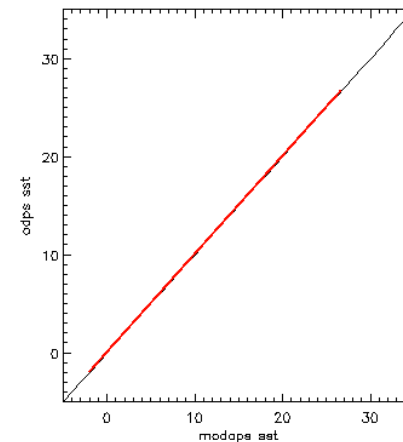
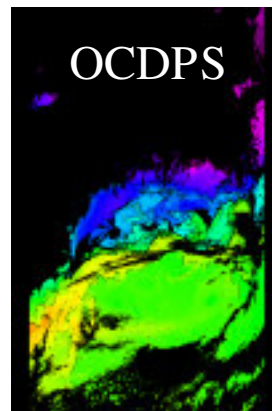
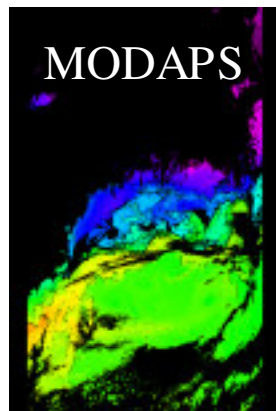
- Multiple MCST LUTs evaluated
 - measured m1
 - smoothed, log-fitted m1
 - piece-wise polynomial m1
 - use log-fitted m1 with periodic updates for baseline processing
 - http://seawifs.gsfc.nasa.gov/staff/franz/l3trend/modisa_testing.html
- Vicarious calibration
 - one gain per band for all time
 - visible bands determined using MOBY
 - NIR bands determined using assumed aerosol-type
 - calibration re-evaluated for each test configuration
 - <http://seabass.gsfc.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/vicarious.cgi?sensor=a>

Algorithm Updates

- Polarization sensitivity correction
 - laboratory set-up and test results re-evaluated
 - new sensitivities derived (2x magnitude, phase-shifted)
 - a series of test were performed to verify improvement
 - temporal trend comparisons with SeaWiFS
 - new polarization corrections adopted for baseline reprocessing
 - http://seawifs.gsfc.nasa.gov/staff/franz/l3trend/modisa_testing.html
 - <http://oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/DOCS/polcormemo.pdf>
- Bi-directional reflectance correction
 - several strategies evaluated: Fresnel, Morel R, Morel R + f/Q, Fresnel + Morel f/Q
 - decision to stay with Fresnel for baseline processing
 - http://seawifs.gsfc.nasa.gov/staff/franz/l3trend/modisa_testing.html
 - <http://seabass.gsfc.nasa.gov/eval/fq.cgi>

Derived Product Updates

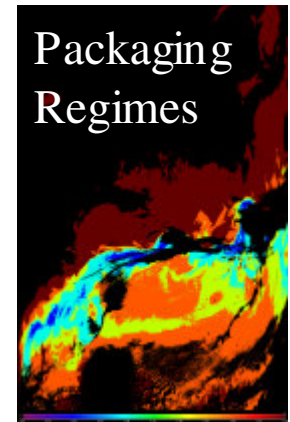
- SST
 - enhanced to allow use of Reynolds OI SST as input
 - detailed intercomparison with MODAPS products performed
 - **exact match** demonstrated at Level-2 (given same input SST)
 - required correction of MODAPS code for OISST interpolation error



- only remaining issue is Level-3 quality masking
 - MODAPS approach has been analyzed in detail
 - implementation plans TBD
- <http://seabass.gsfc.nasa.gov/eval/sst.cgi>

Additional Derived Products

- Fluorescence Line Height
 - implementation in progress
- Carder Chlorophyll and IOP model
 - obtained existing code (MODIS and SeaWiFS variants)
 - implemented in MS112
 - generalized for multiple sensors
 - tests performed to verify implementation
 - expected to be included with next SeaDAS update
 - **global processing TBD by Working Group recommendations**
 - <http://seawifs.gsfc.nasa.gov/staff/franz/carder/>
 - <http://seabass.gsfc.nasa.gov/eval/usf.cgi>

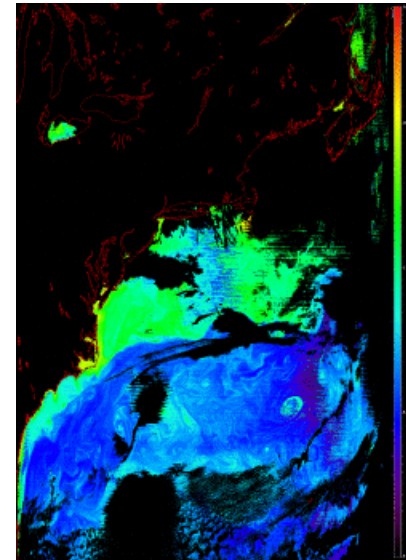
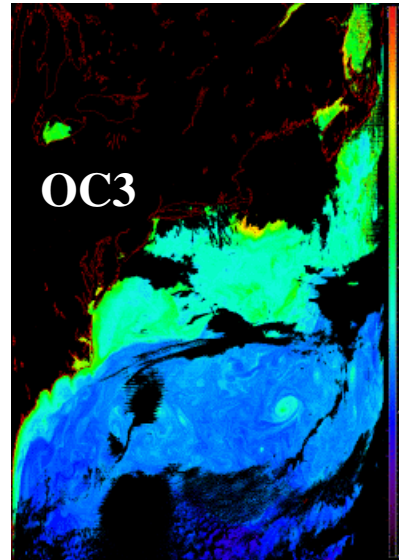


Carder Chlorophyll Example

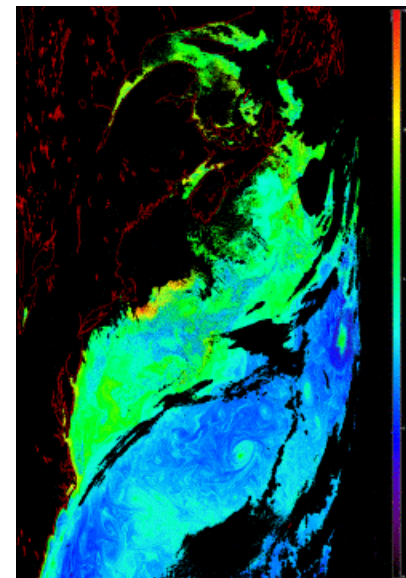
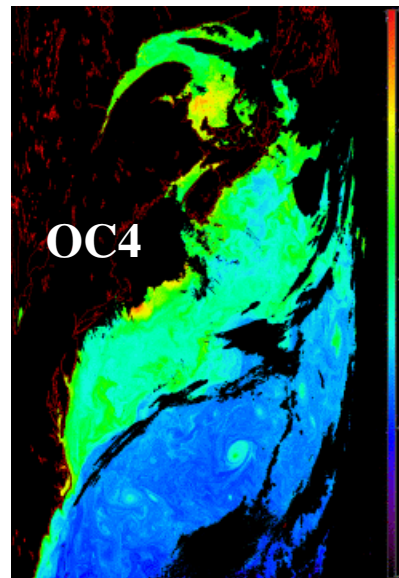
MODIS

Empirical

Carder



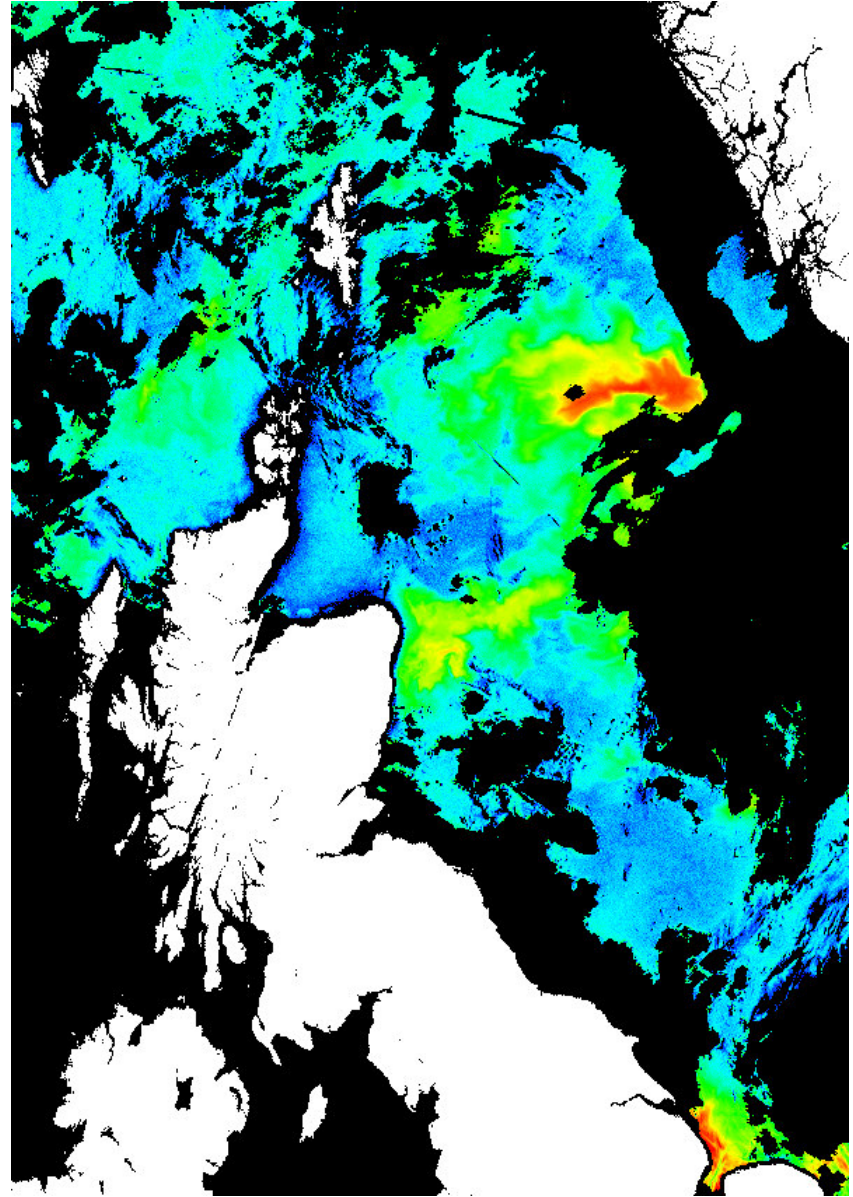
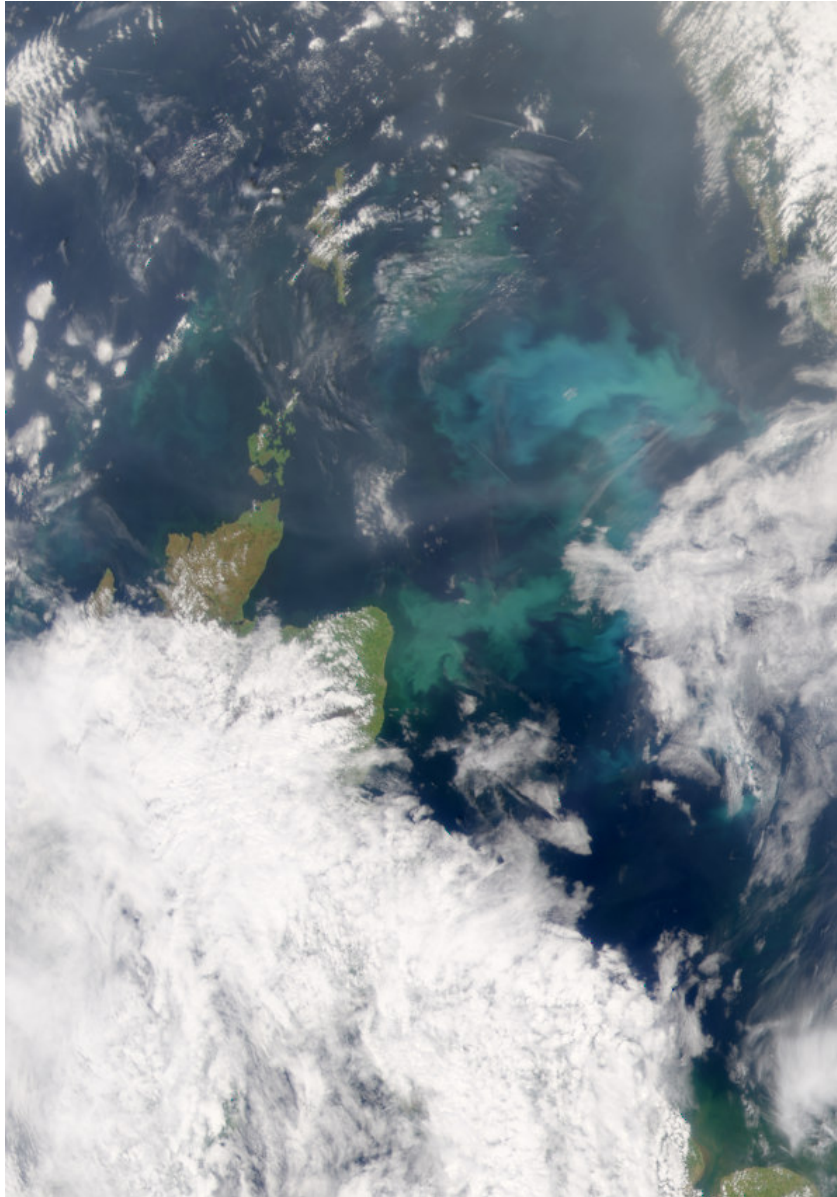
SeaWiFS



Additional Derived Products

- Calcite, 2-band algorithm (Gordon, Balch, Boynton)
 - implementation in progress
- Calcite, 3-band algorithm (Gordon, Balch, Boynton)
 - obtained existing code (MODIS and SeaWiFS variants)
 - updated implementation in MS112
 - generalized for multiple sensors
 - revised out-of-band correction
 - rewritten in C with improved iteration control
 - tests performed to verify implementation
 - expected to be included with next SeaDAS update
 - **global processing TBD by Working Group recommendations**

Calcite, 3-band Algorithm



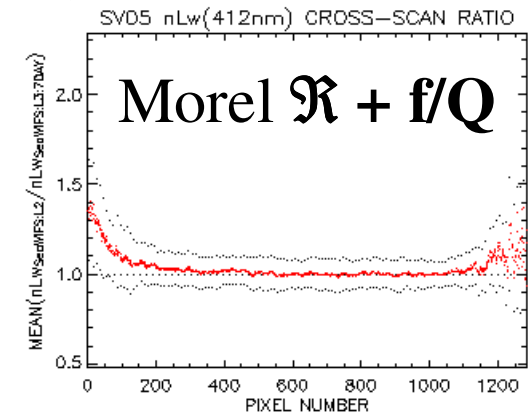
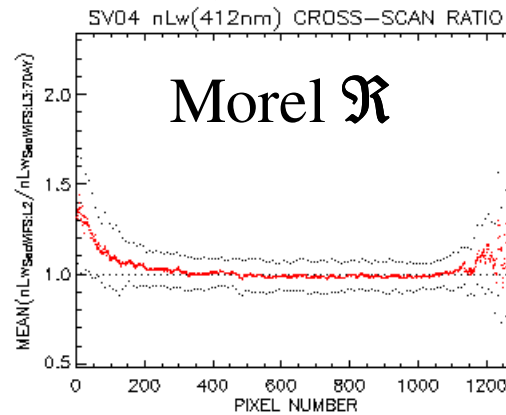
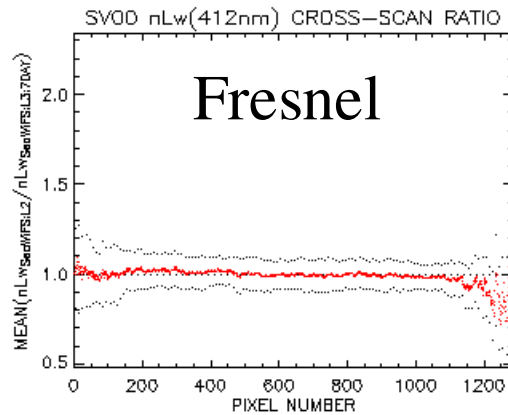
Other Products Available in MSL12/SeaDAS

- Various empirical chlorophyll algorithms
 - OC2, OC3, Clark, etc.
- Garver, Siegel, Maritorena 2001 model
 - chl, bb, acdm
- Clark TSM & POC
- Aerosol properties
 - AOT, Angstrom, models, etc.
- Various intermediate products
 - Lr, La, tLg, Rrs, etc.
- Ancillary fields
 - wind, pressure, ozone, SSTref, etc.

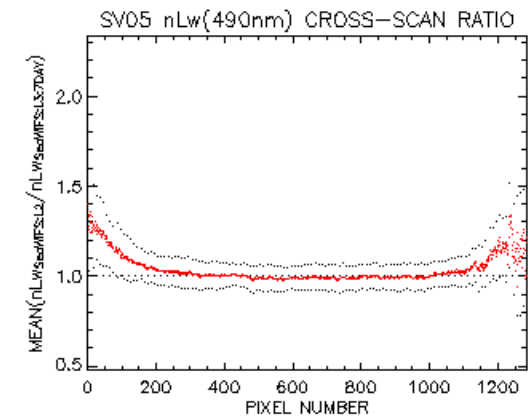
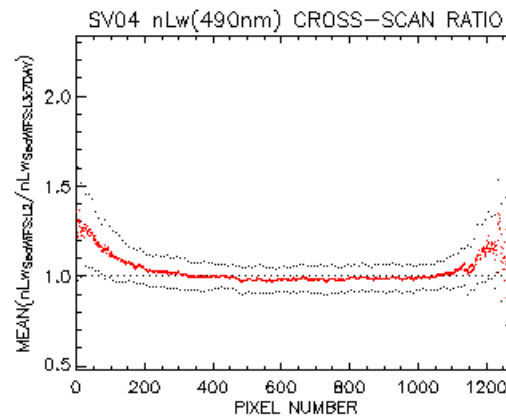
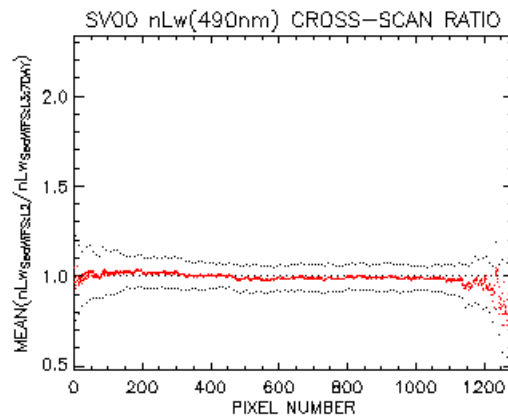
BRDF Analyses

Effects of BRDF on Scan-Dependence of SeaWiFS nLw *clear water ($C < 0.15 \text{ mg/m}^3$)*

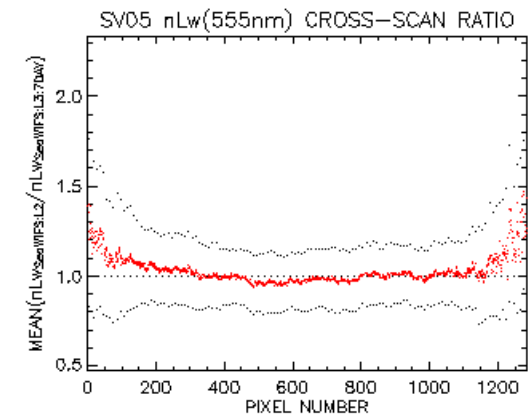
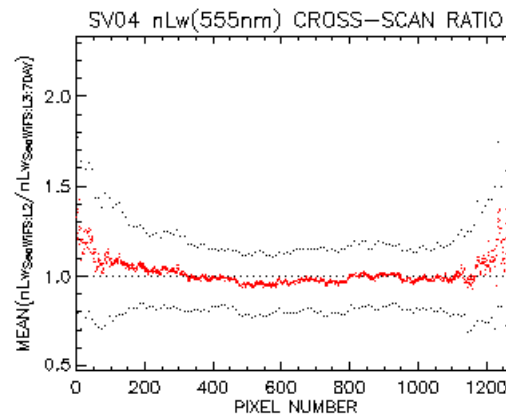
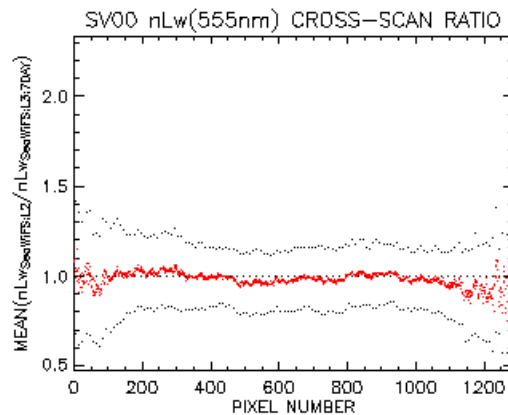
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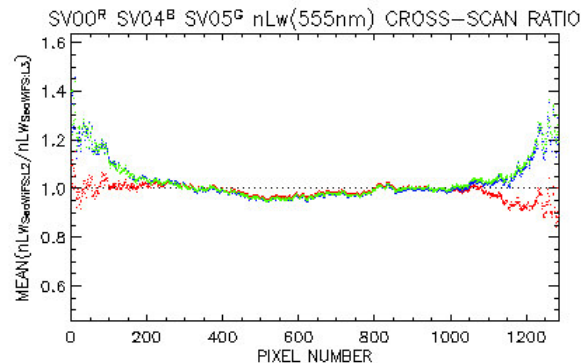
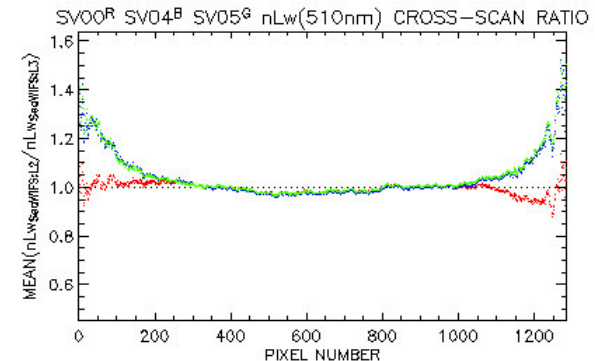
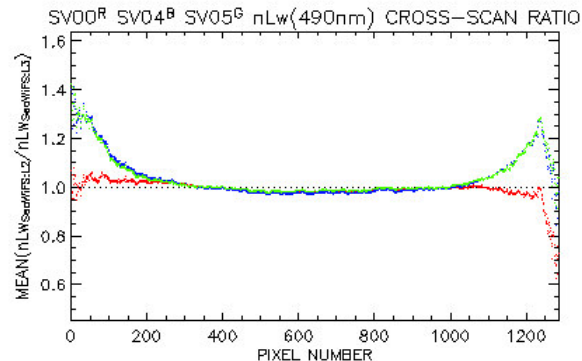
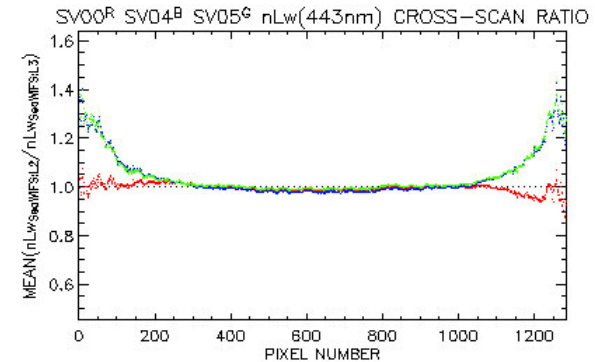
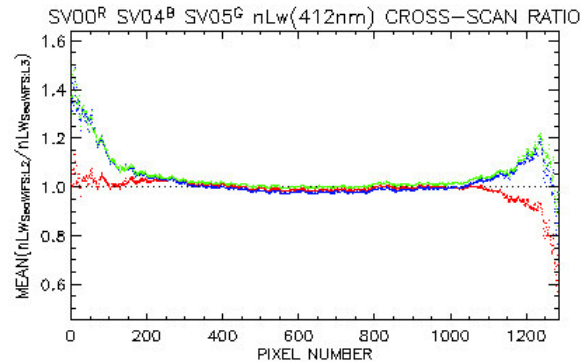
Effects of BRDF on Scan-Dependence of SeaWiFS nLw

low chl water ($C < 0.15 \text{ mg/m}^3$)
day 2004 003

**Fresnel
Red**

**Morel \mathfrak{R}
Blue**

**Morel \mathfrak{R} + f/Q
Green**



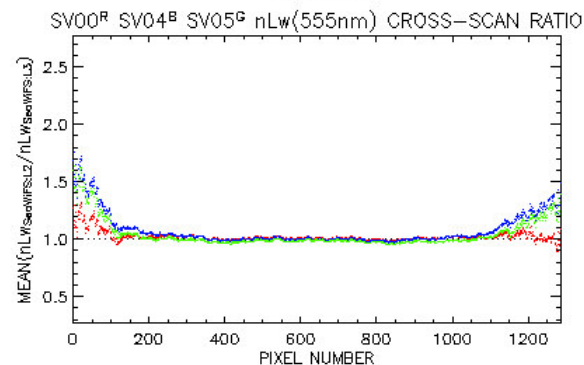
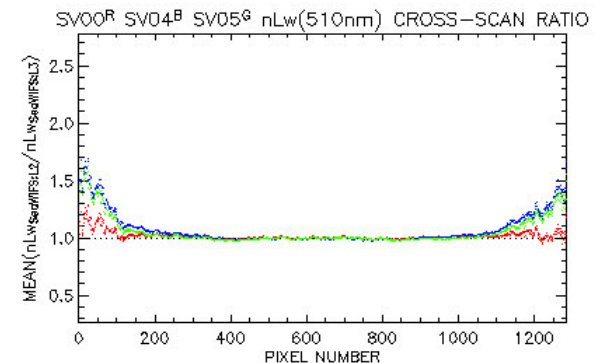
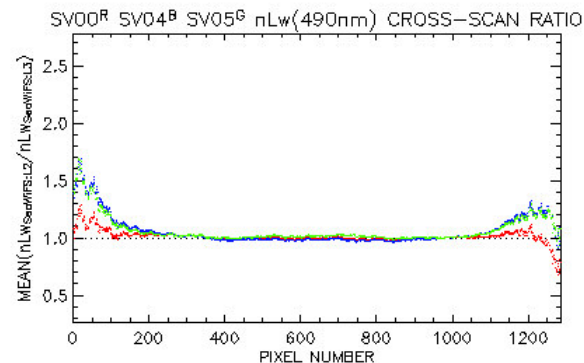
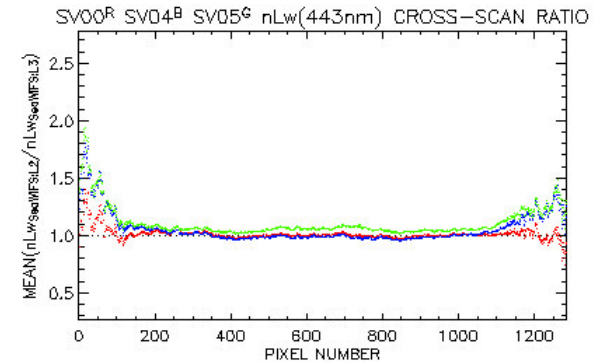
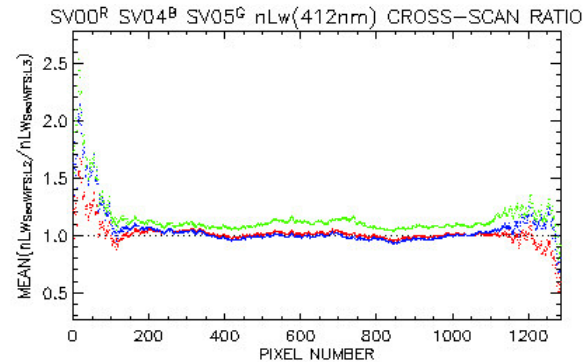
**Derived by ratio of
SeaWiFS Level-2 nLw
with SeaWiFS 7-day
Level-3 binned nLw.**

Effects of BRDF on Scan-Dependence of SeaWiFS nLw *moderate chl water ($C > 0.15 \text{ mg/m}^3$)* day 2004 003

**Fresnel
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**Morel \mathcal{R}
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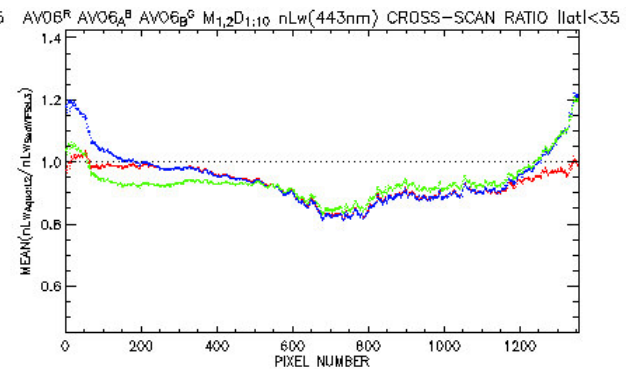
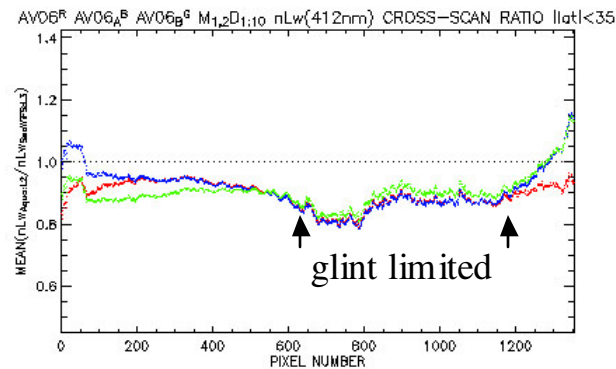
**Morel \mathcal{R} + f/Q
Green**



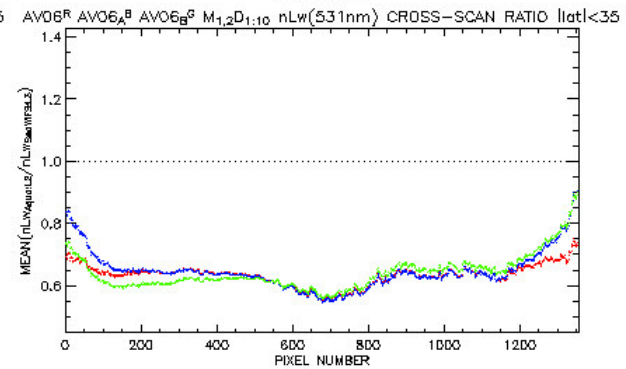
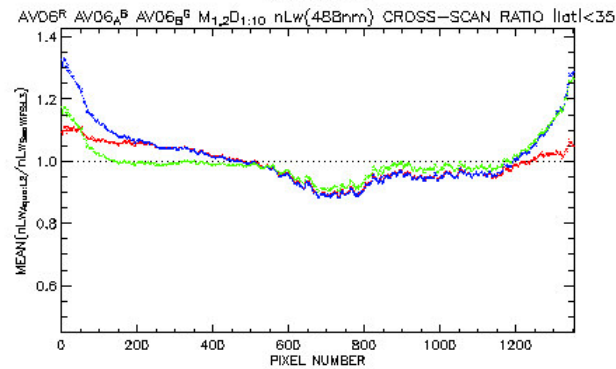
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Effects of BRDF on Scan-Dependence of MODIS/Aqua nLw *low chl water ($C < 0.15 \text{ mg/m}^3$)* day 2004 003

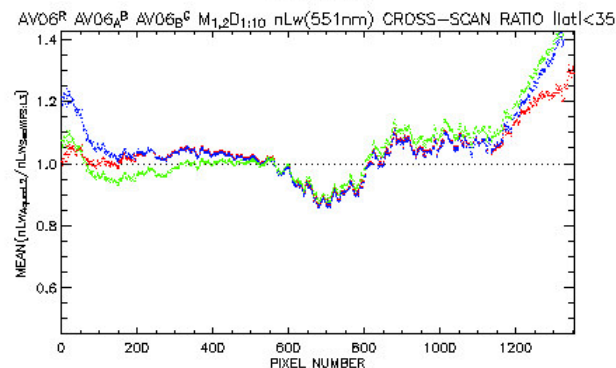
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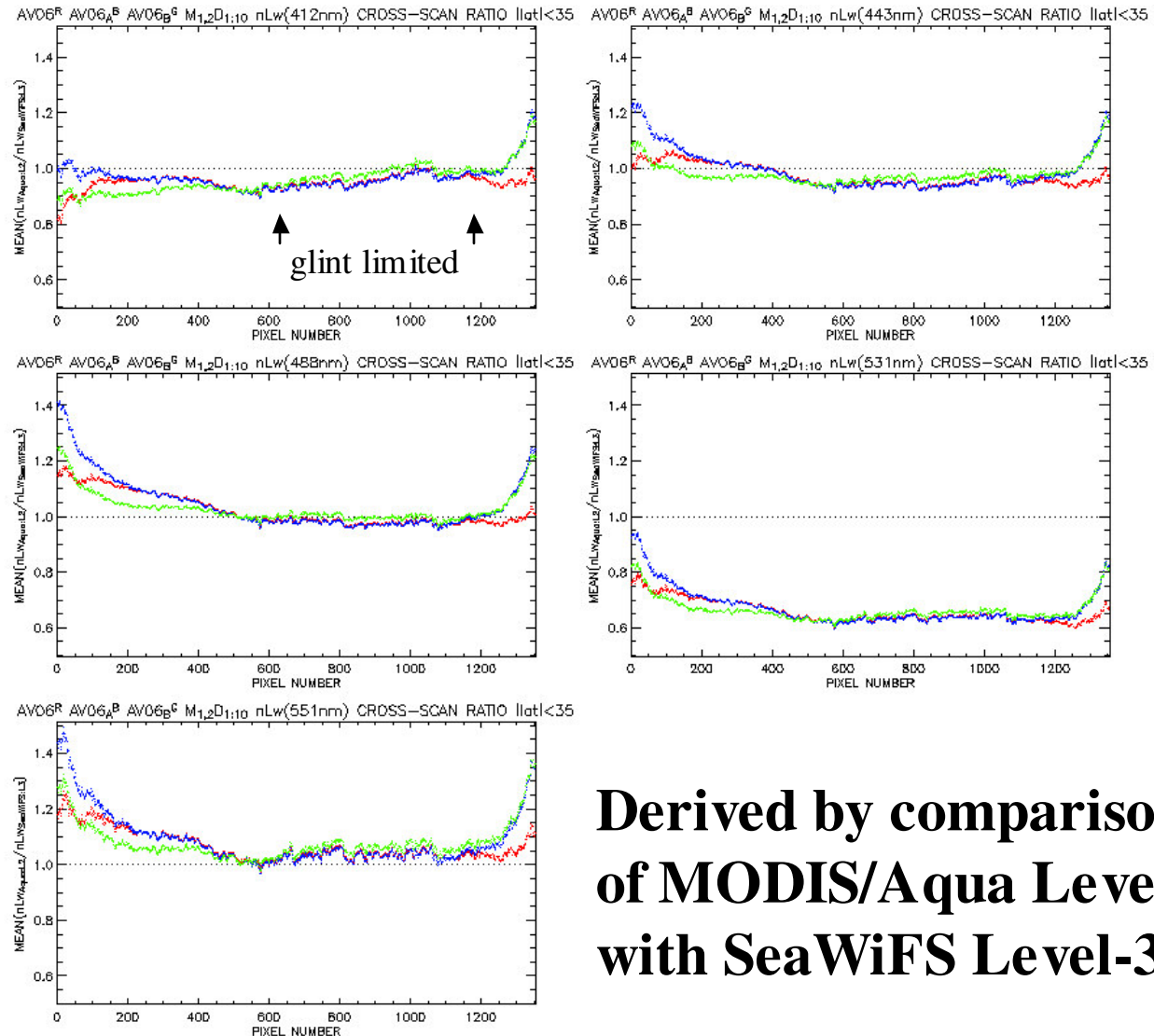
**Derived by comparison
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with SeaWiFS Level-3.**

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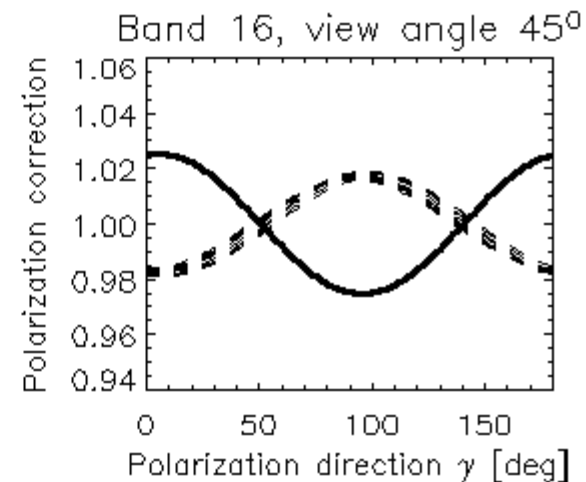
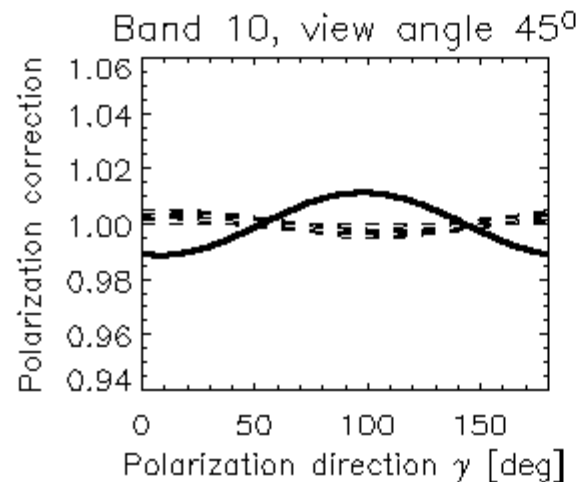
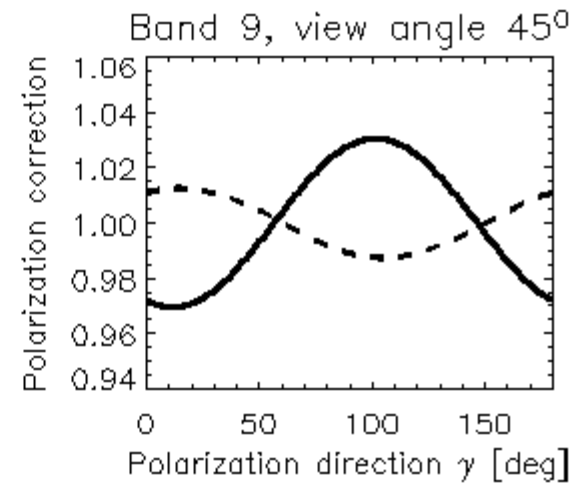
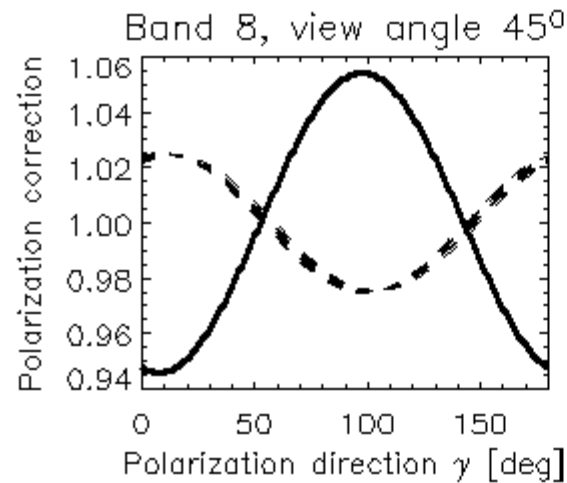
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Polarization Correction

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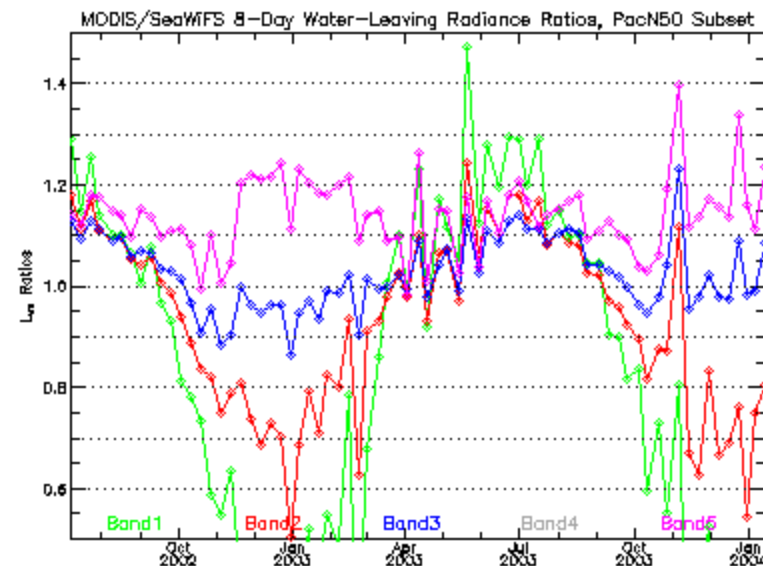
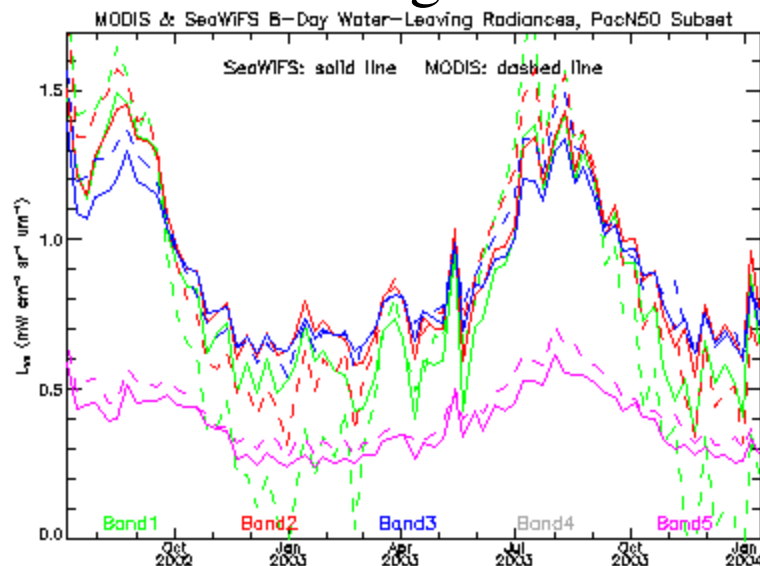


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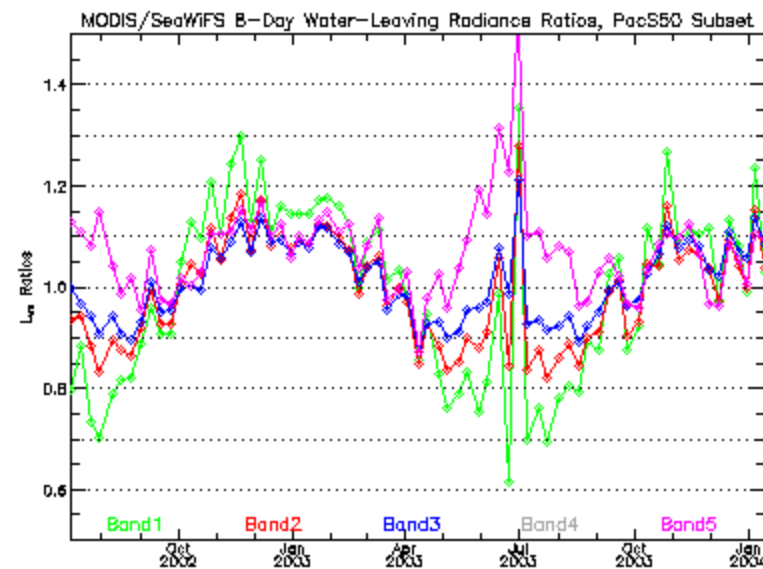
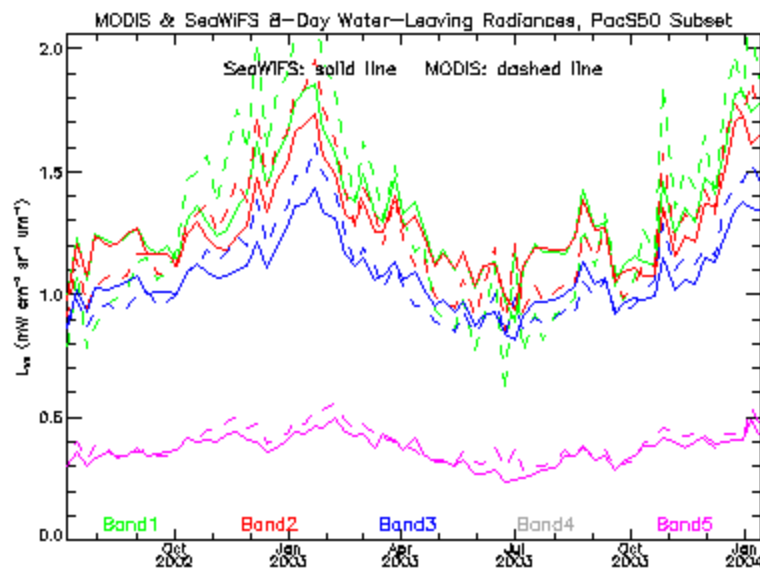
50N-40N & 40S-50S, 150W-170W

Original Polarization Correction

NH



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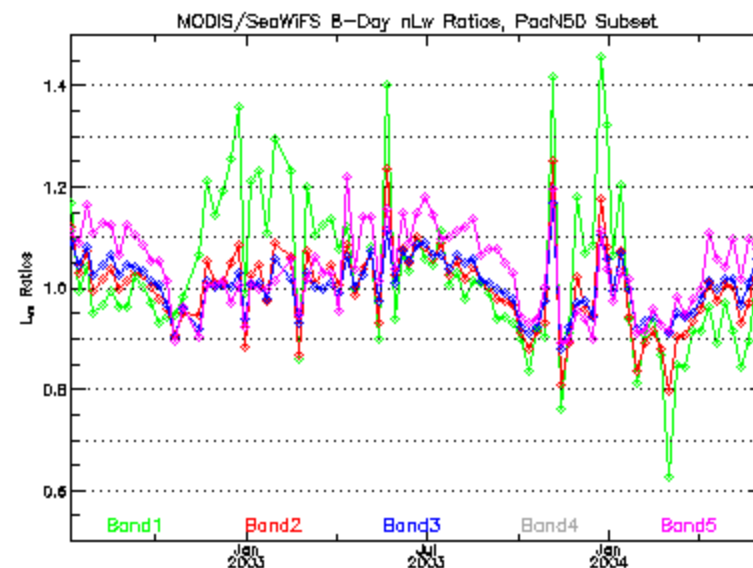
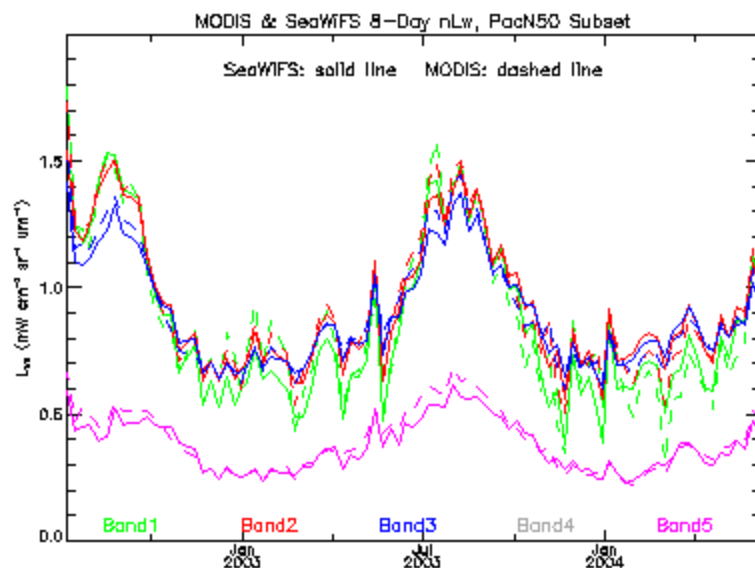


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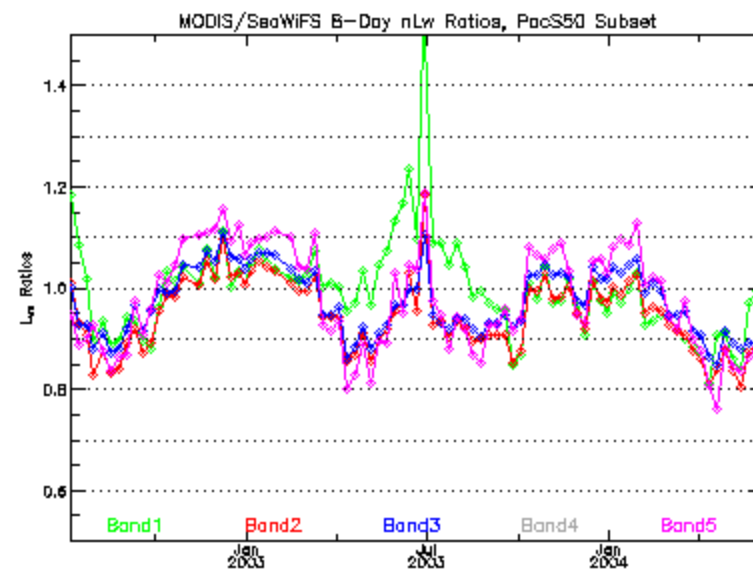
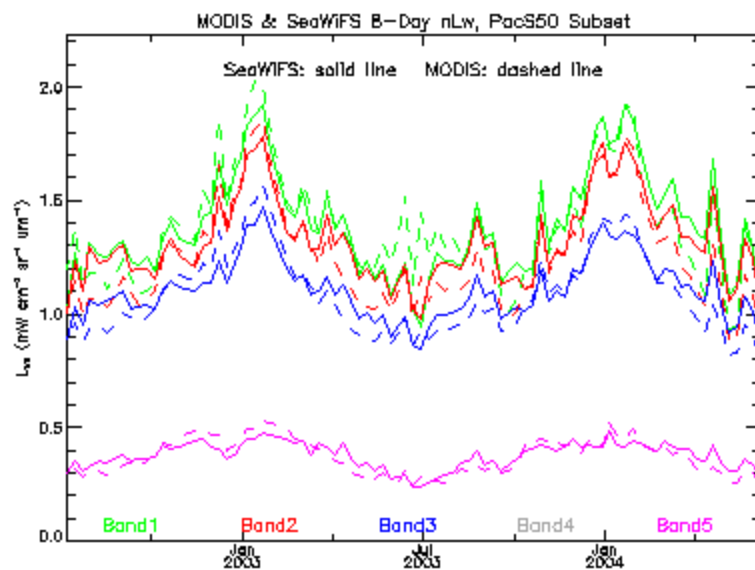
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OCDPS R0 Processing

NH

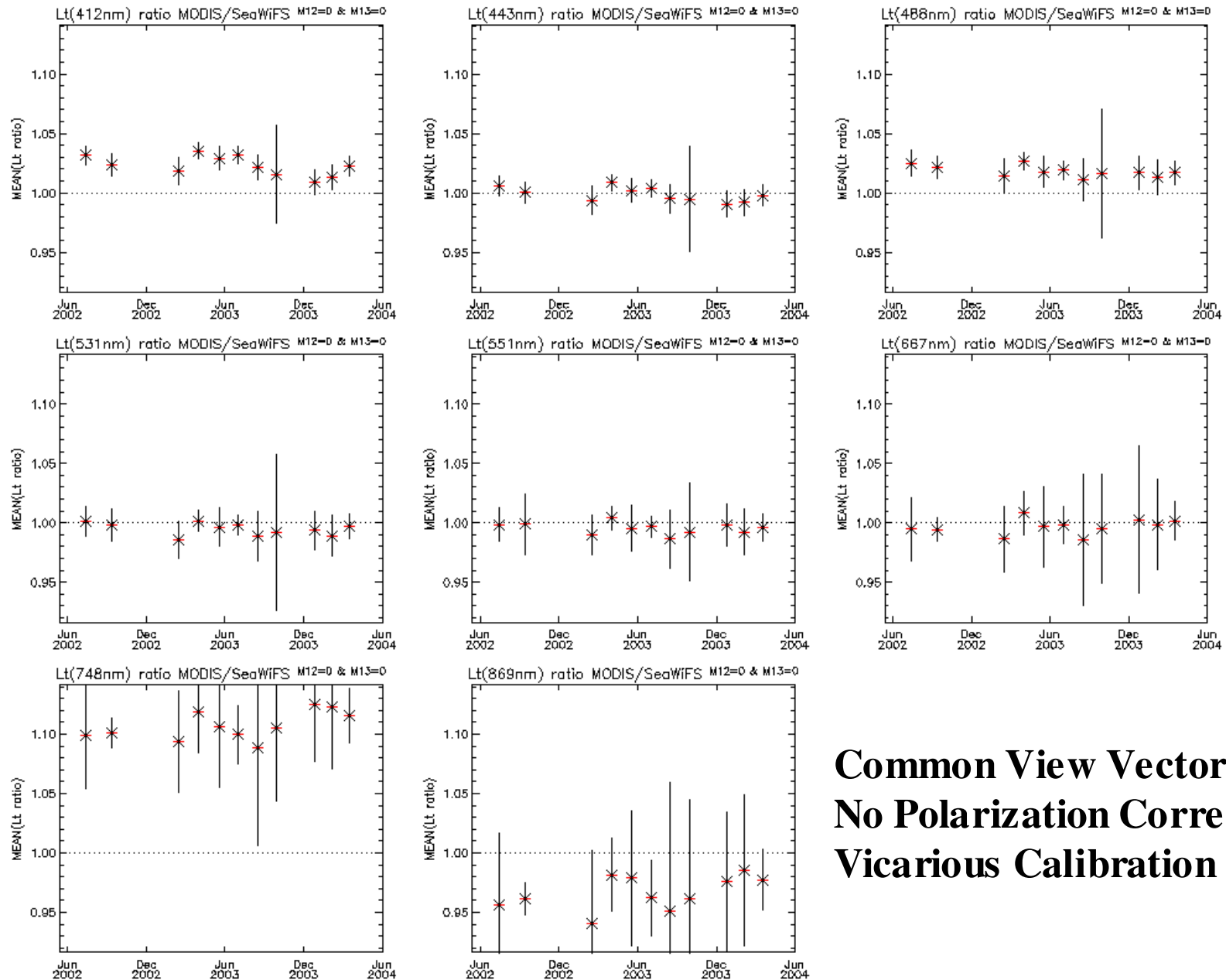


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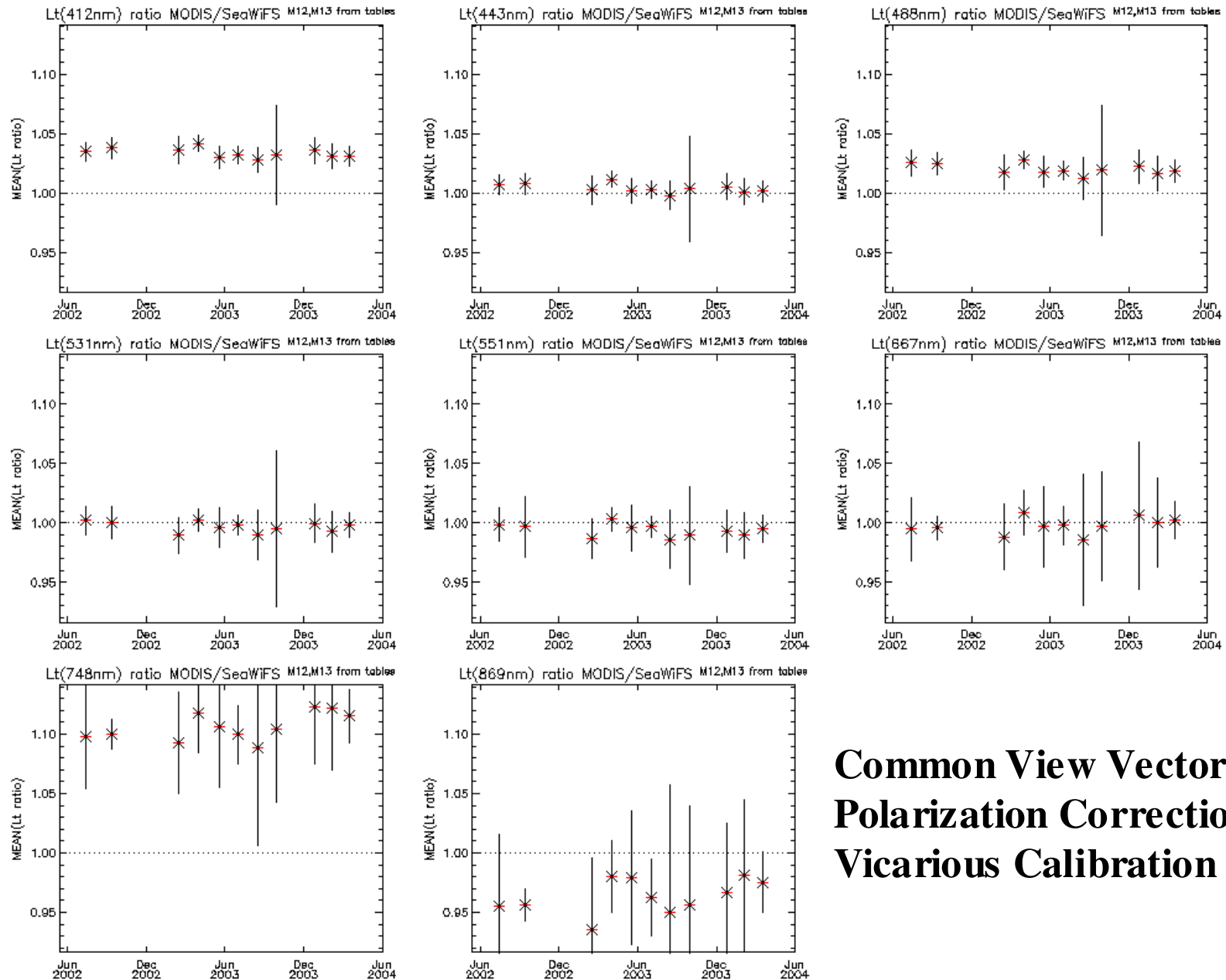
TOA Radiance Comparisons

TOA Radiance Comparison: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS



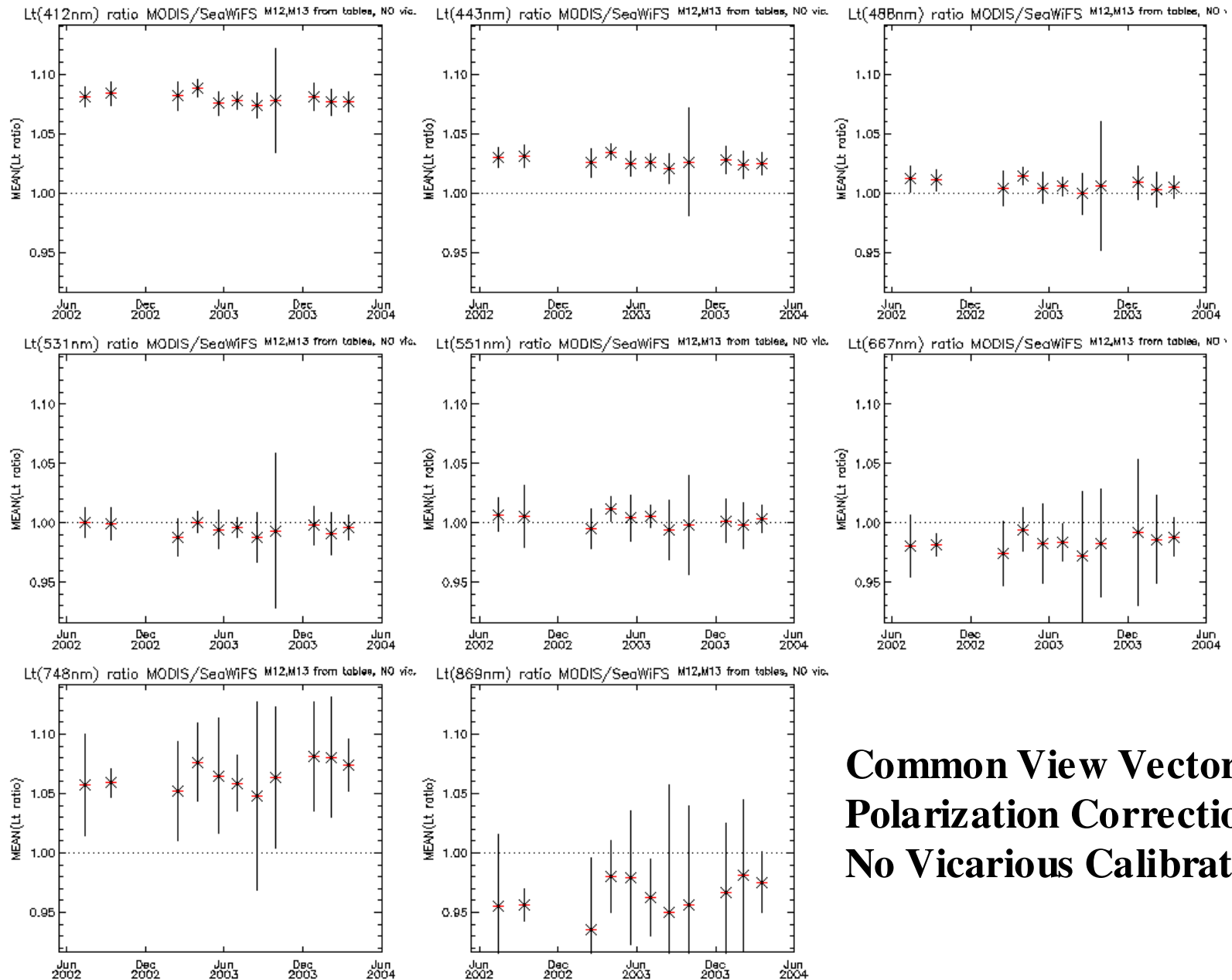
Common View Vector (1°)
No Polarization Correction
Vicarious Calibration

TOA Radiance Comparison: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS



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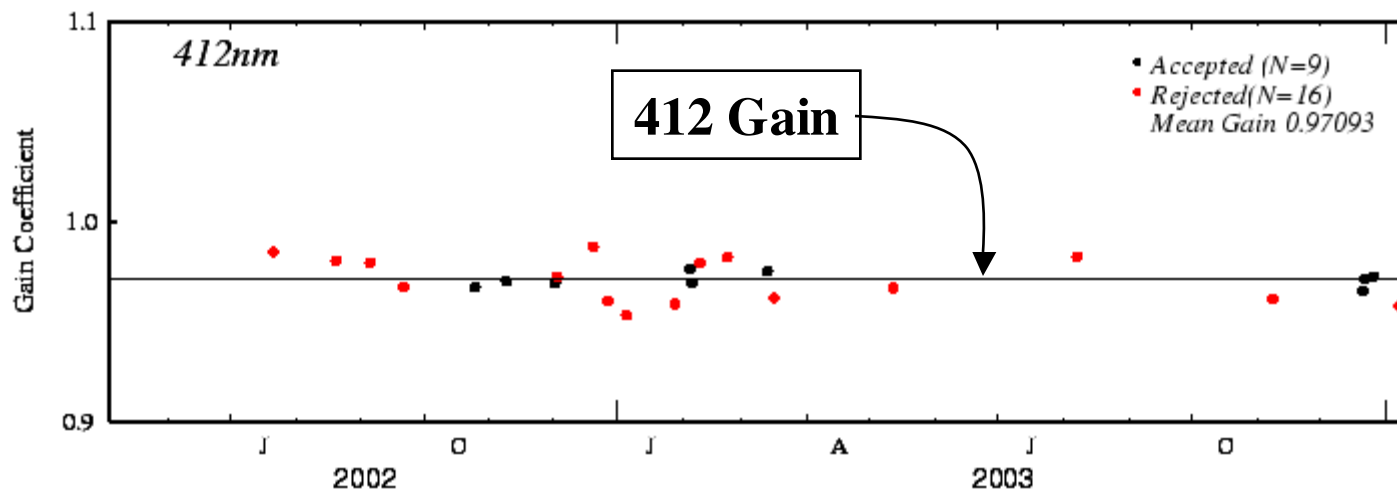


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Vicarious Calibration

MODIS/Aqua Vicarious Calibration

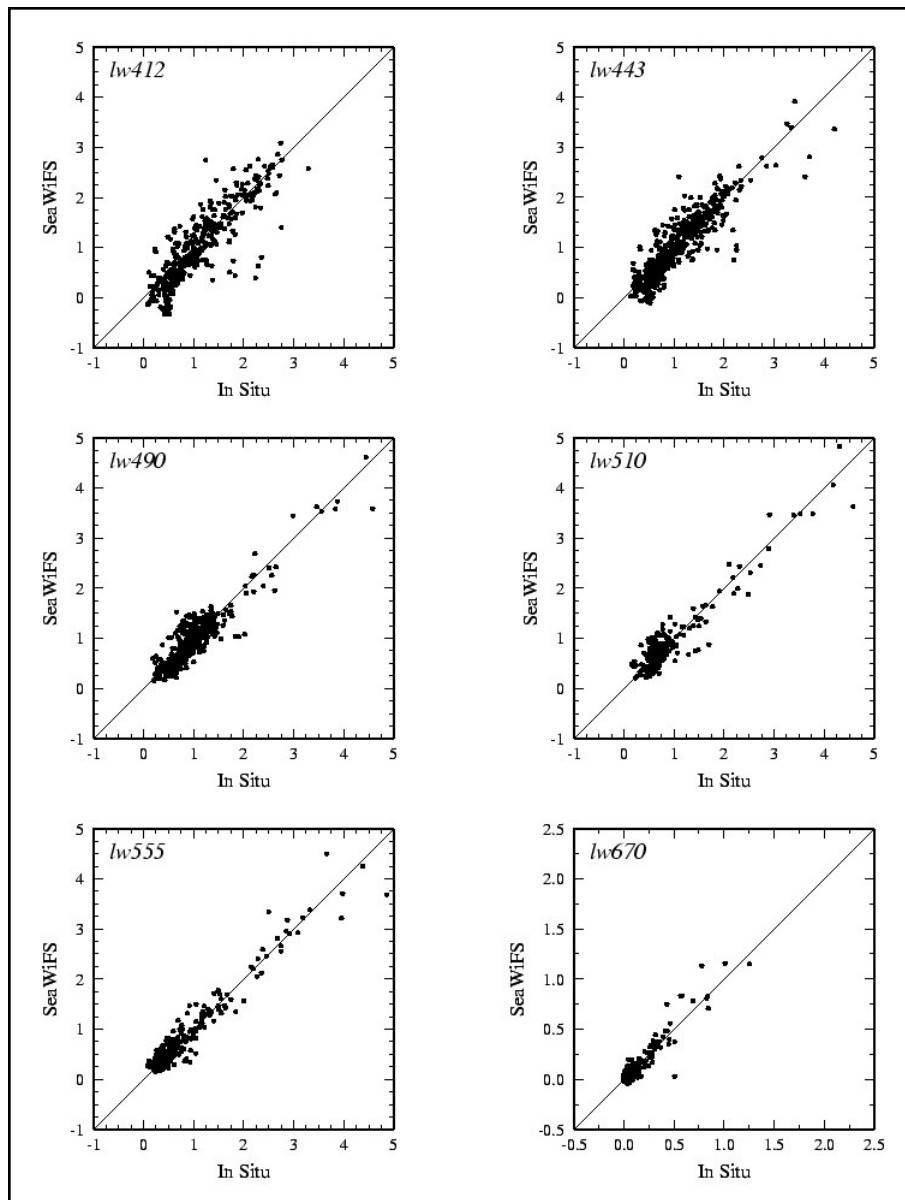
- Same approach used for other sensors (SeaWiFS)
- Fix gain at 869 nm to 1.0
- Set gain at 748 nm to yield assumed aerosol type, on average
- Set visible gains to match MOBY, on average



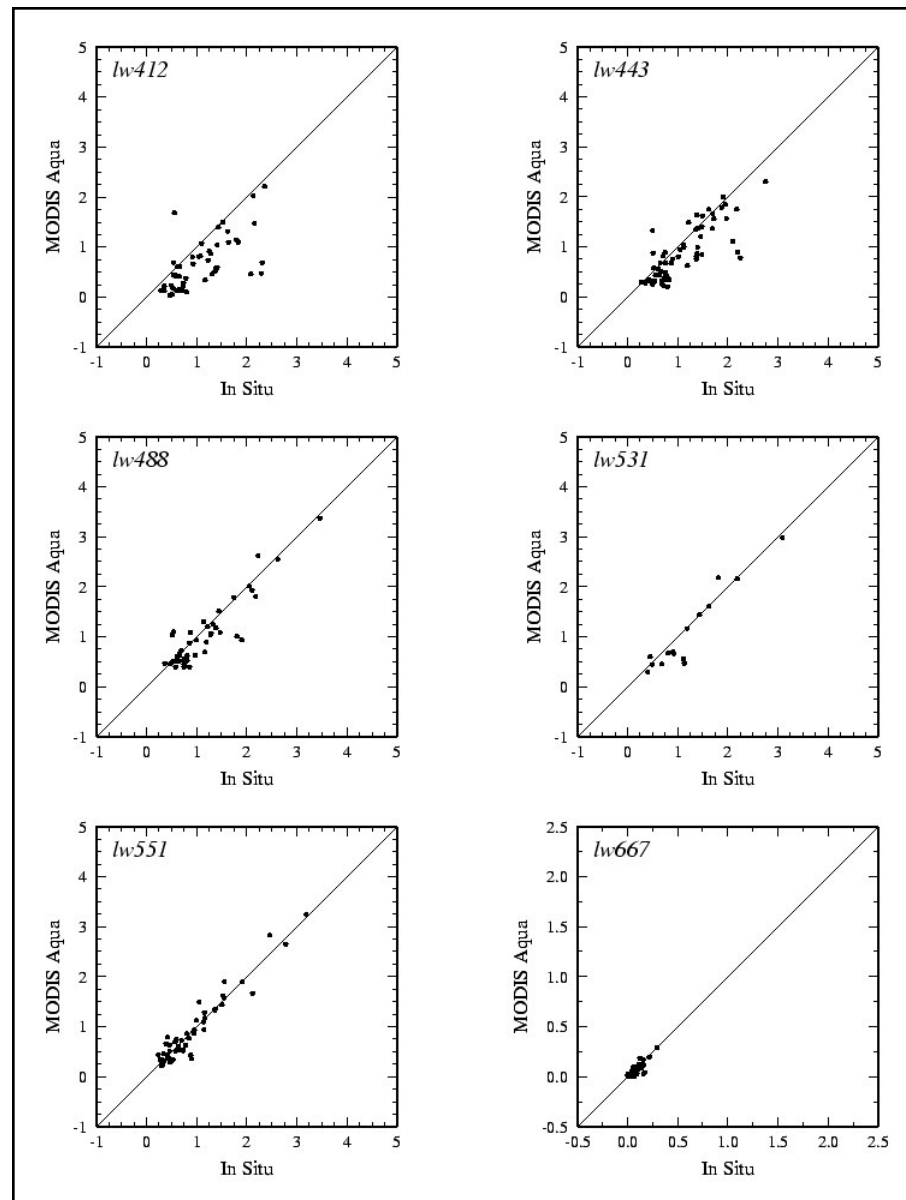
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In Situ Validation

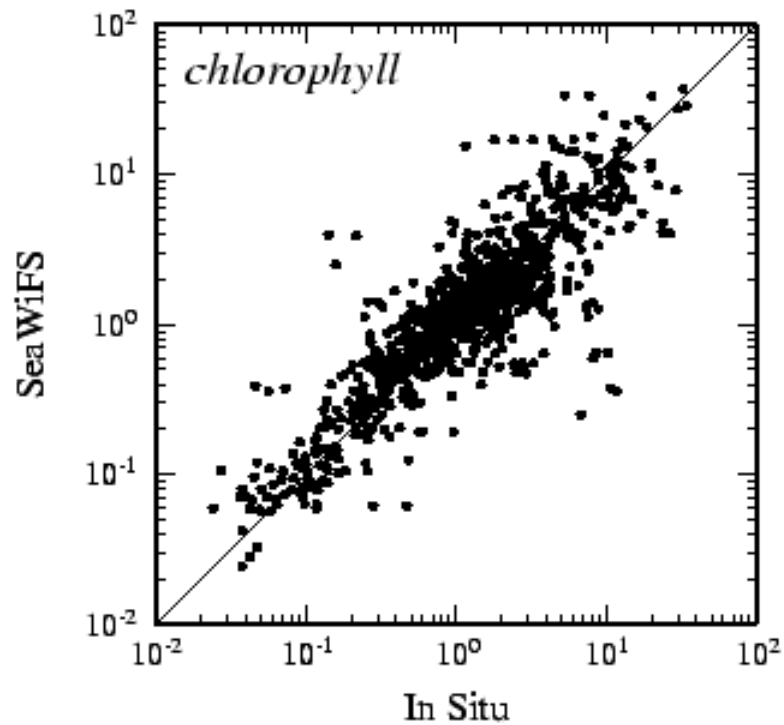
SeaWiFS Lw OCDPS R4



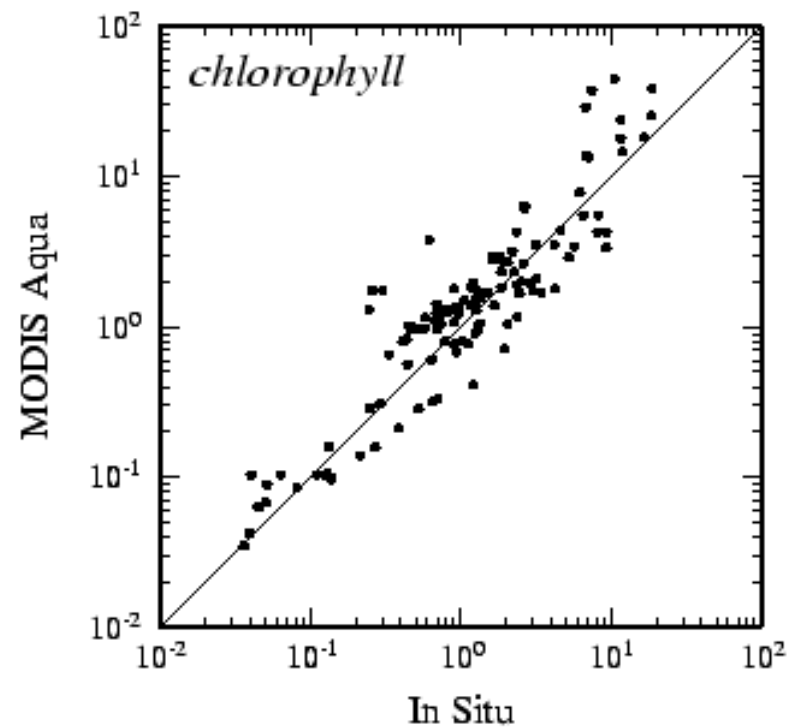
MODIS/Aqua Lw OCDPS R0



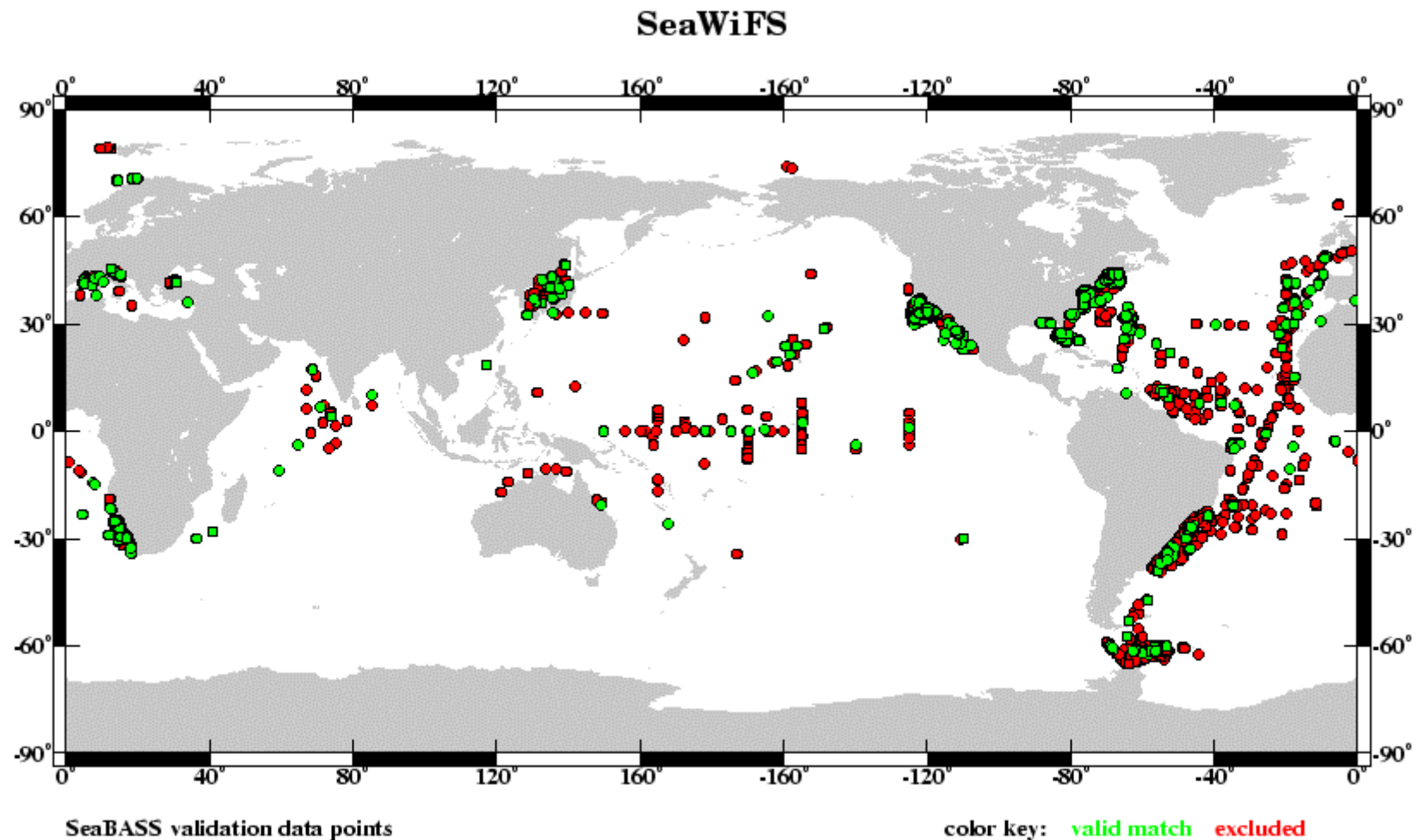
**SeaWiFS
OCDPS R4
OC4 Chlorophyll**



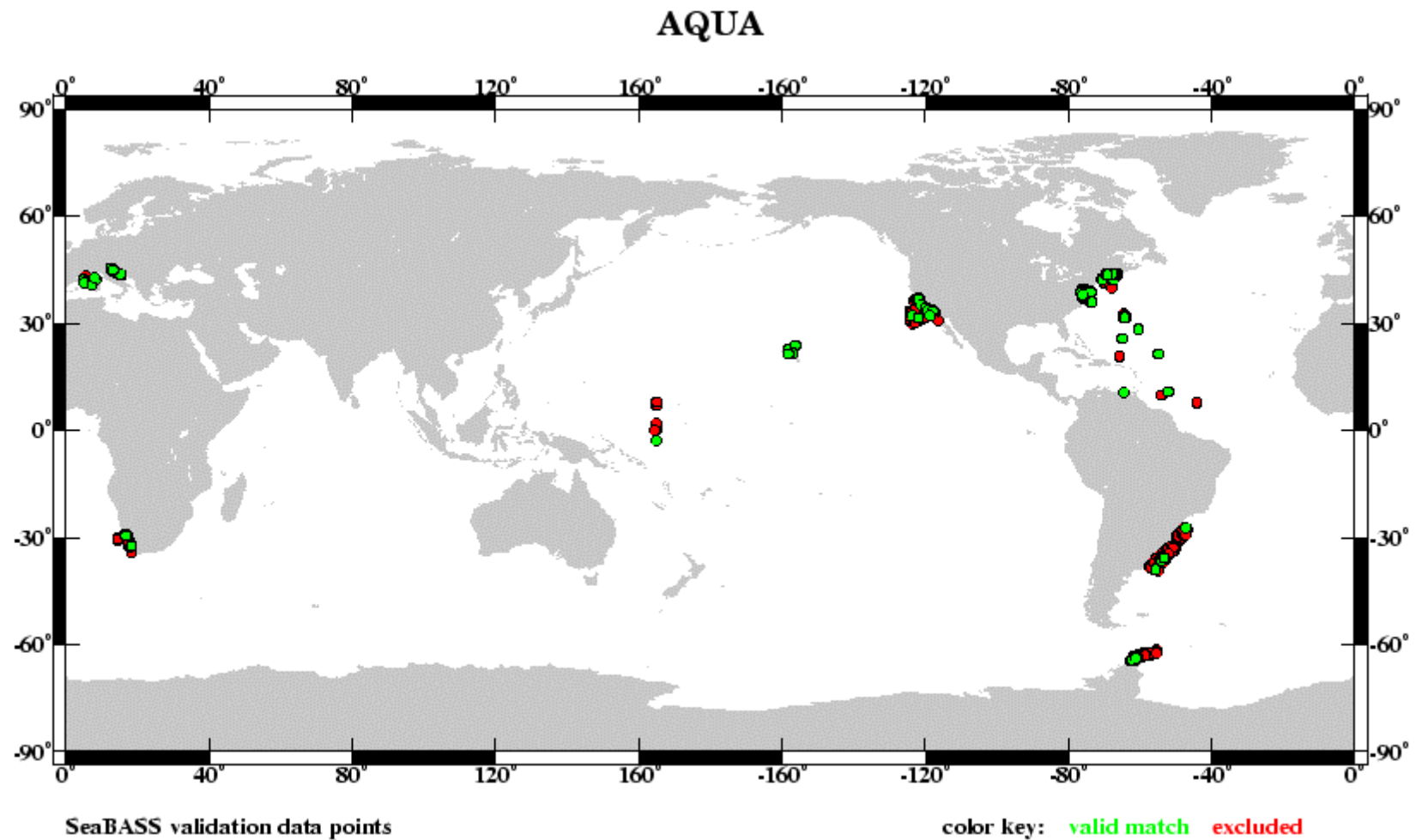
**MODIS/Aqua
OCDPS R0
OC3 Chlorophyll**



In Situ Match-up Distribution SeaWiFS



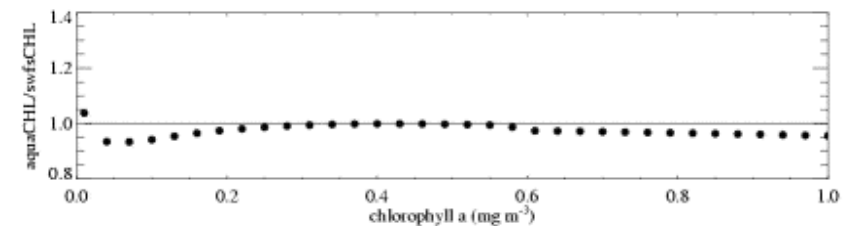
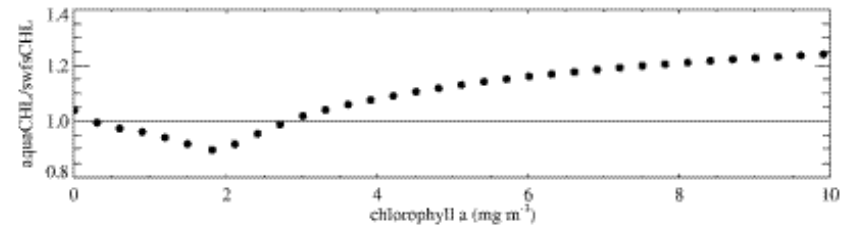
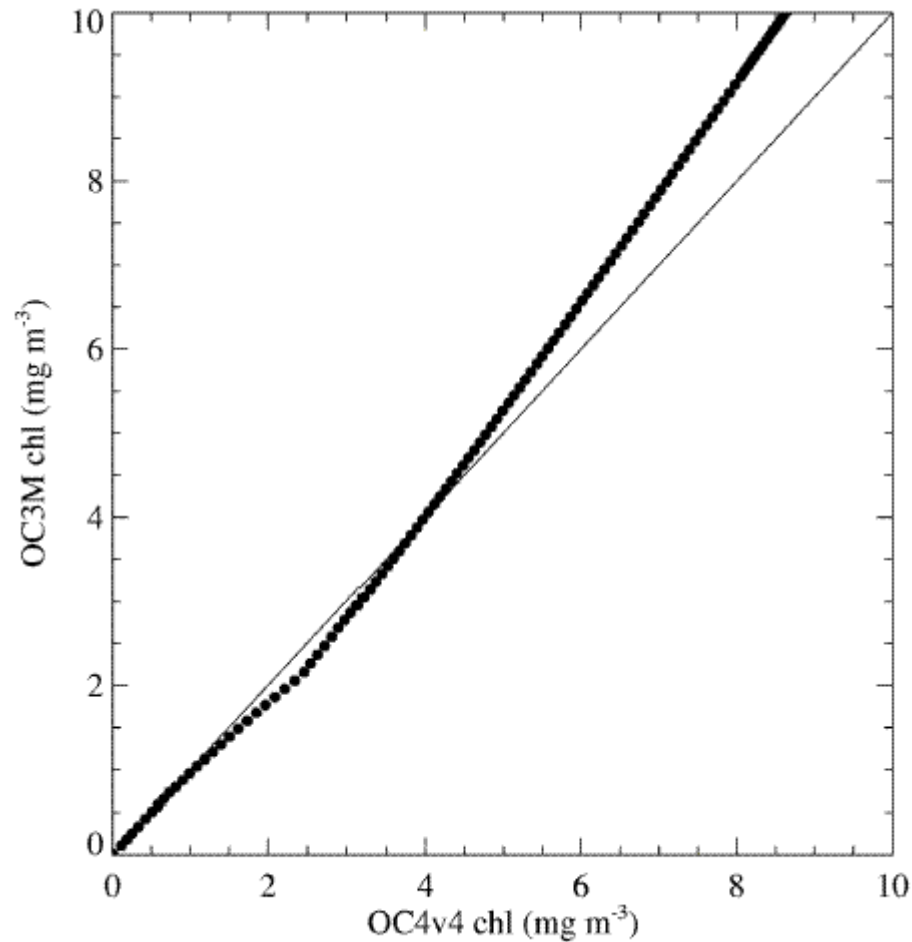
In Situ Match-up Distribution MODIS/Aqua



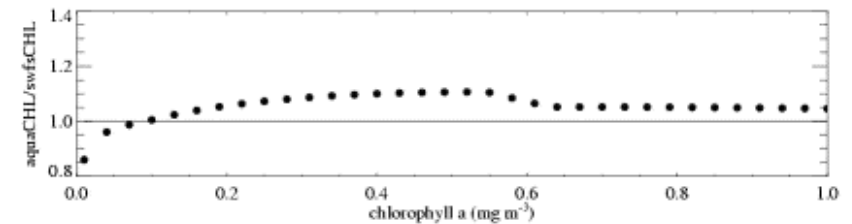
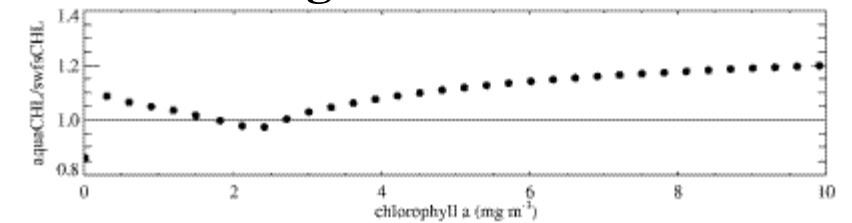
Chlorophyll Algorithm

OC3 vs OC4

(Simulated Differences Based on Morel and Maritorena 2001)



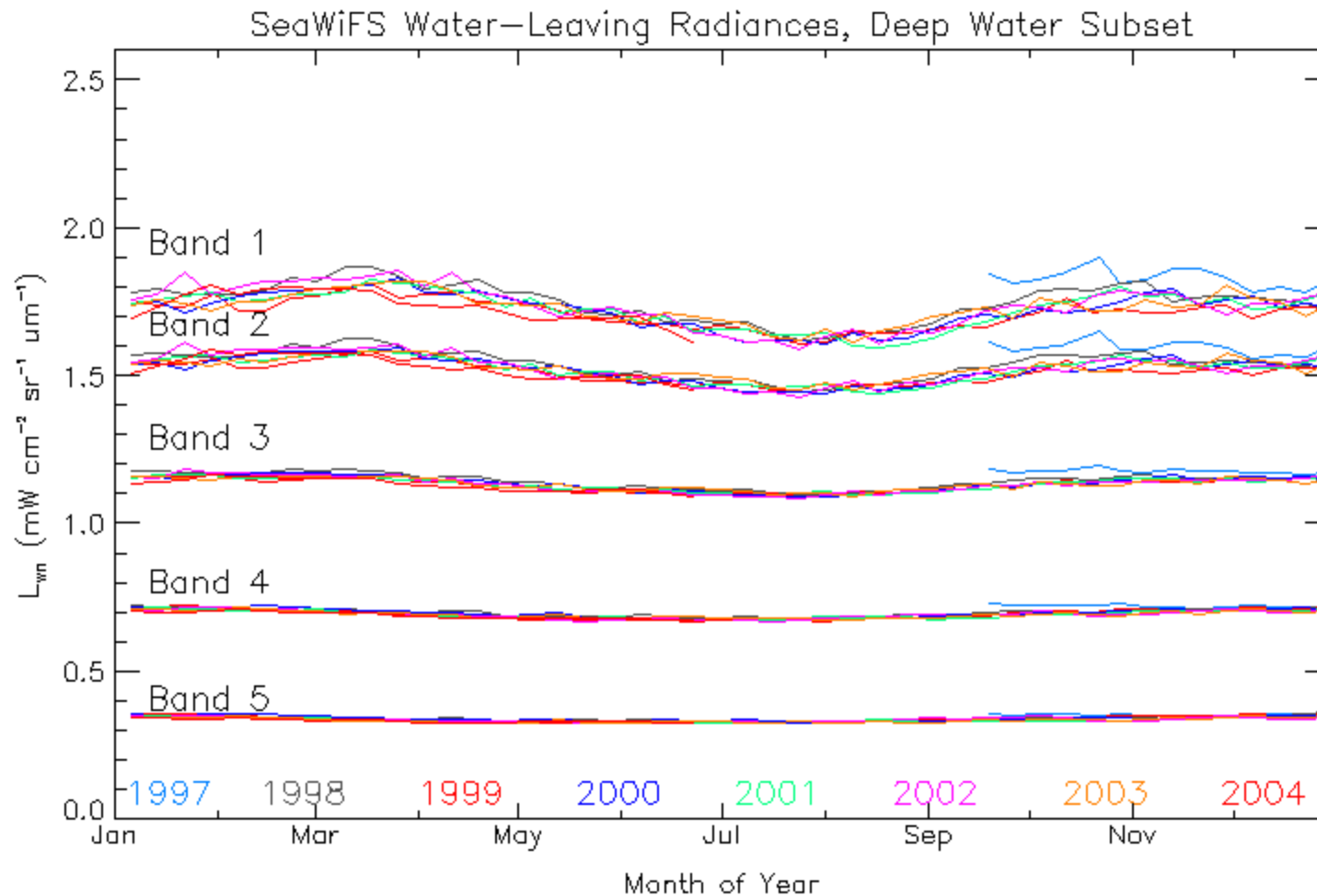
Including Band-Pass Effects



Misc

SeaWiFS Annual Repeatability in nLw

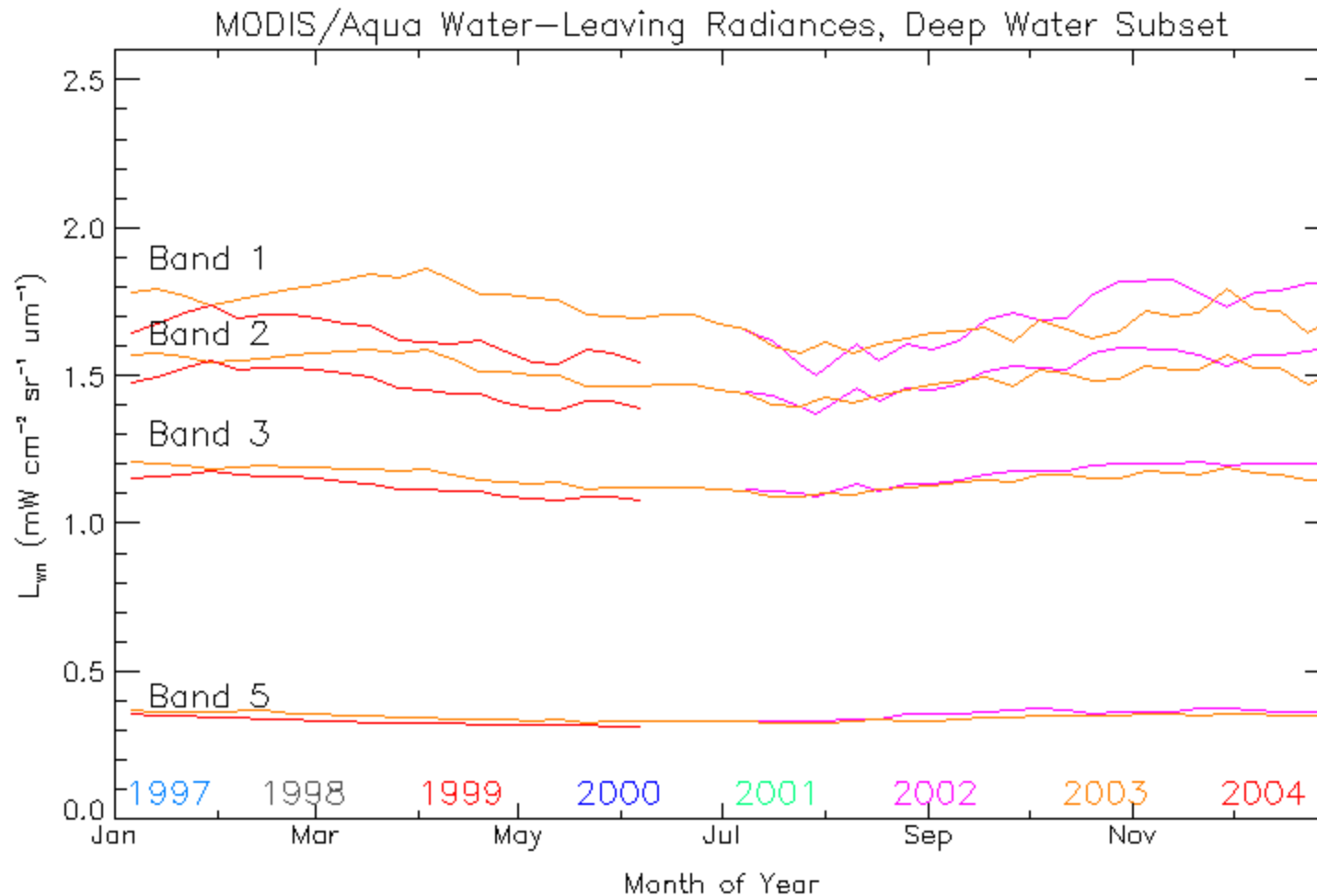
Deep-Water Subset, 8-Day Bins



SeaWiFS temporal stability is well established.

MODIS/Aqua Annual Repeatability in nLw

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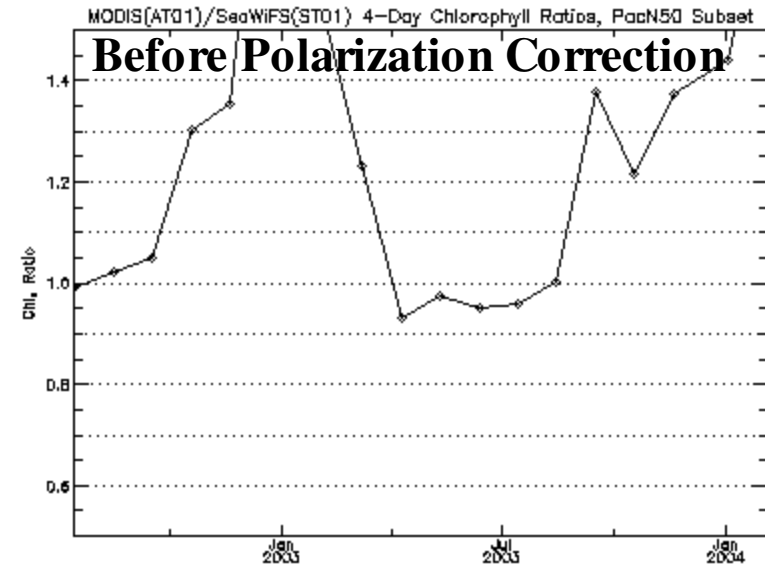
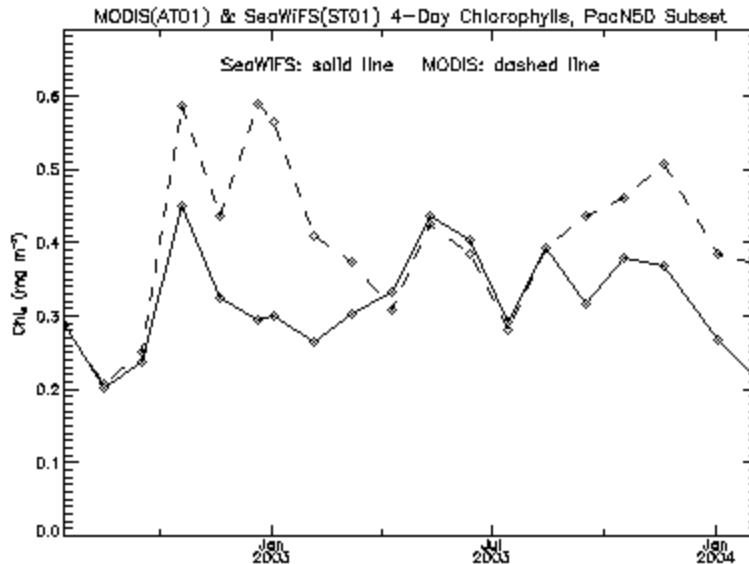
Repeatability for MODIS/Aqua has not yet been demonstrated.

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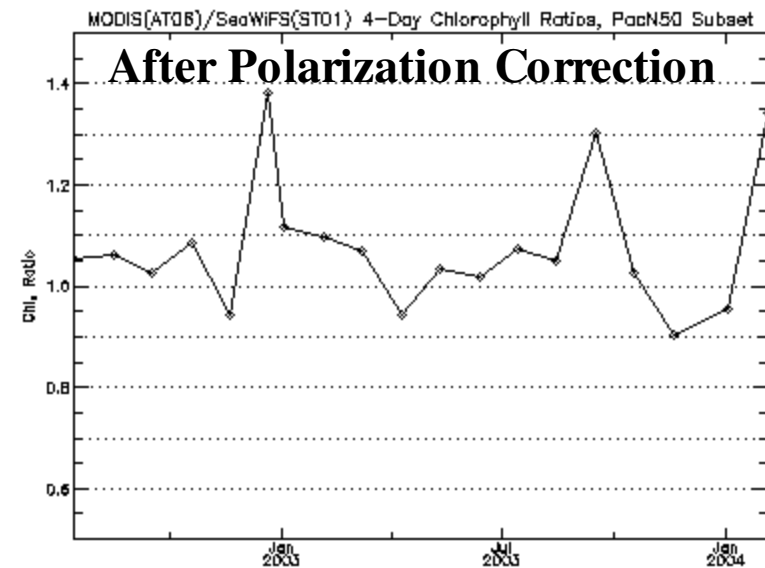
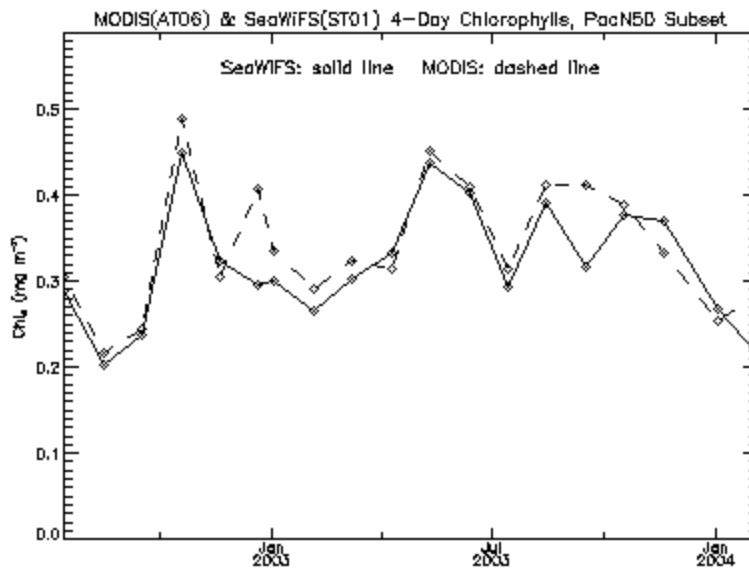
Chl: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

50N-40N, 150W-170W

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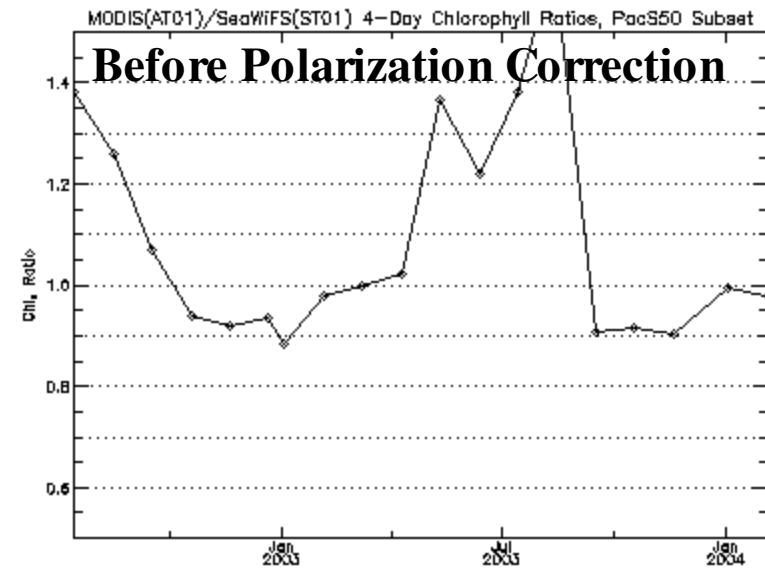
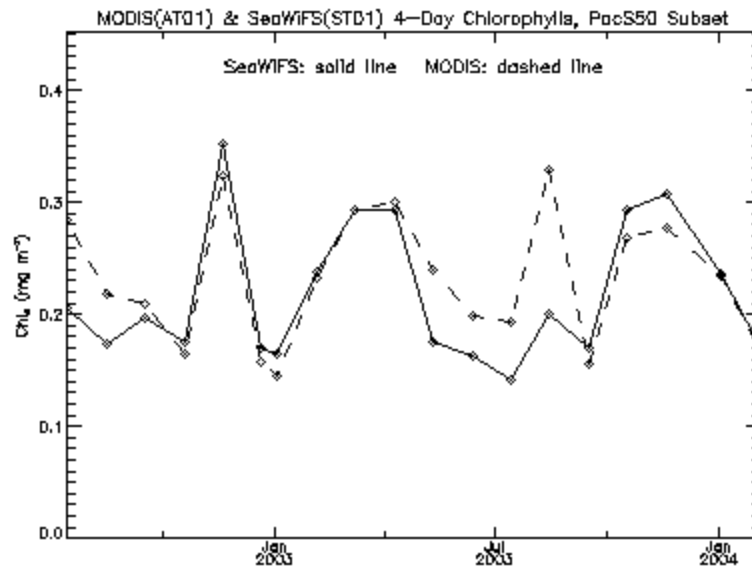


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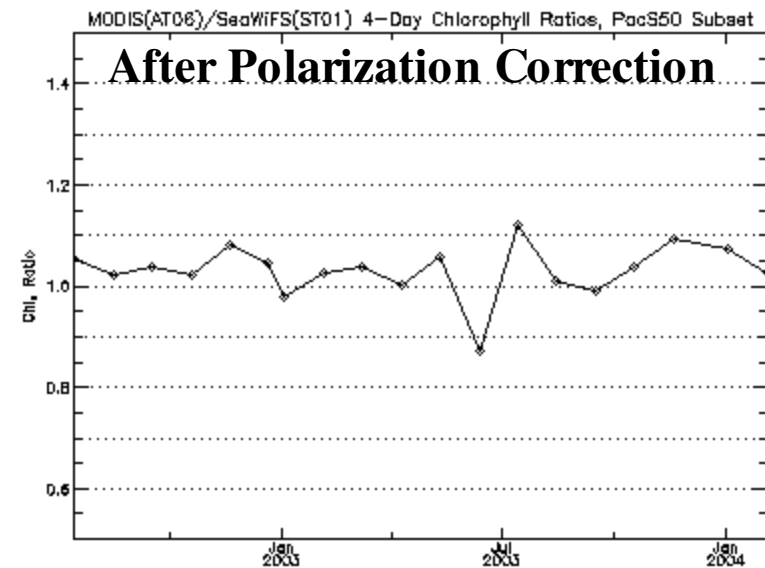
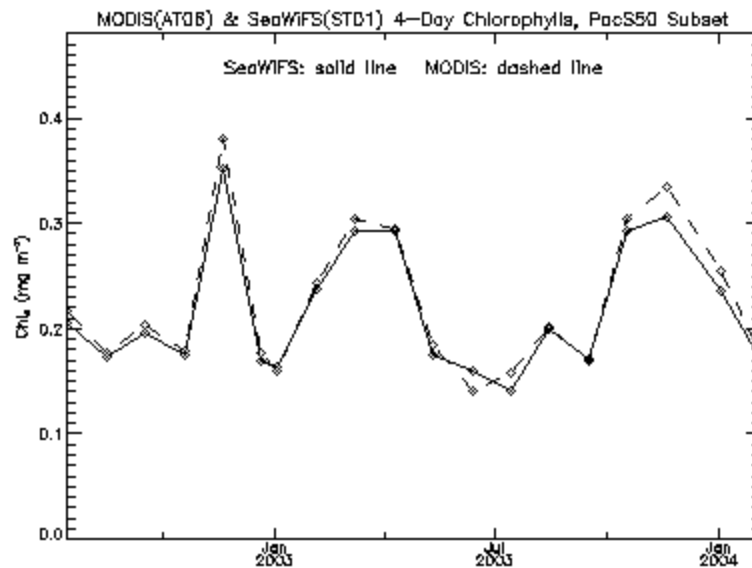
Chl: MODIS/Aqua vs SeaWiFS

40S-50S, 150W-170W

AT01



AT06



		Chlor_a		nLw_412		nLw_412		nLw_443		nLw_443		nLw_490		nLw_490		nLw_555	
Sensor	Subset	mean	stddev	mean	stddev	mean	stddev	mean	stddev	mean	stddev	mean	stddev	mean	stddev	mean	stddev
SeaWiFS	Clear	0.077	0.0035	2.197	0.0719	1.856	0.0493	1.249	0.0179	0.296	0.0042						
MODIS	Clear	0.077	0.0036	2.152	0.0926	1.833	0.0729	1.282	0.0377	0.315	0.0123						
SeaWiFS	Deep	0.183	0.0125	1.736	0.0529	1.530	0.0372	1.134	0.0186	0.334	0.0068						
MODIS	Deep	0.189	0.0154	1.689	0.0850	1.496	0.0599	1.148	0.0371	0.344	0.0159						
SeaWiFS	Coastal	1.115	0.2043	0.778	0.0580	0.862	0.0475	0.888	0.0420	0.474	0.0285						
MODIS	Coastal	1.340	0.2352	0.727	0.0837	0.848	0.0561	0.916	0.0465	0.501	0.0299						